



TOWNSHIP OF MCKELLAR

Council Meeting Minutes

March 2, 2020

Present: Mayor Peter Hopkins, Councillors Marco Ancinelli, Don Carmichael, Morley Haskim, Mike Kekkonen

Staff: Clerk Administrator, Tammy Wylie; Treasurer/Deputy Clerk, Karen Gerrard (left the meeting at 8:11 p.m.)

Mayor Hopkins called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Moved by: Mike Kekkonen
Seconded by: Marco Ancinelli

20-98 Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of McKellar hereby approve the Agenda for this meeting as presented. Carried

Delegations and Presentations

Ms. Laurie Del Net, Executive Director and Mr. Dan DiNicolò, President, Parry Sound Area Chamber of Commerce attended before Council to provide an update on the Chamber, which includes new executives on the Board, a new Executive Director, the creation of a strategic partnership with The Business Resource Centre and several successful events held in 2019. Mayor Hopkins advised that the funding request would be discussed during the budget deliberations. Mayor Hopkins thanked Ms. Del Net and Mr. DiNicolò for attending.

Mr. Harold Elston, Integrity Commissioner, attended before Council to discuss two complaints he had received. The first complaint was against all members of Council and referenced a concern for a leak of confidential matter. Mr. Elston investigated the complaint and found that there was no disclosure of confidential information in relation to the public works yard and that there was no breach of the Code by the Mayor or any other member of Council. The second complaint was against Mayor Hopkins, Councillor Ancinelli and Councillor Carmichael with respect to reconnecting skype during a meeting held in September 2019. Mr. Elston reported that there was no breach of the Code and no ethical breach. Mayor Hopkins thanked Mr. Elston for attending.

Moved by: Marco Ancinelli
Seconded by: Don Carmichael

20-99 Be It Resolved that the Council of the Township of McKellar hereby receive the Integrity Commissioner's Report regarding a complaint received against Mayor Hopkins and all Members of Council dated January 16, 2020 and attached to this resolution as Schedule "A".

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

Carried

20-100 Be It Resolved that the Council of the Township of McKellar hereby receive the Integrity Commissioner's Report regarding a complaint received against Mayor Hopkins, Councillor Ancinelli and Councillor Carmichael dated January 16, 2020 and attached to this resolution as Schedule "A".

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

Carried

20-101 Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of McKellar accept the minutes of the February 18, 2020 and February 19, 2020 Council meetings as circulated.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Marco Ancinelli

20-102 Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of McKellar hereby receive the Chief Building Official's Annual Building Department Report for 2019 and the statistical report.

Carried



TOWNSHIP OF MCKELLAR

Council Meeting Minutes

March 2, 2020

Moved by: Marco Ancinelli
Seconded by: Don Carmichael

20-103

Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of McKellar hereby receive Mayor Hopkins's report regarding Reorganizing Economic, Business and Tourism Development for the future of West Parry Sound.

Carried

Correspondence received from the County of Haliburton to request support to reconsider or phase in fee increase for Tourism Oriented Destination Signage – noted.

Moved by: Don Carmichael
Seconded by: Marco Ancinelli

20-104

Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of McKellar endorse the Township of Strong's request that Jim Pine, Facilitator of the Public Health Modernization consultations, review the current funding formula for Public Health and Rural & Northern Ontario municipalities; proposing exemptions for the province to implement for 2021;

And further request that Public Health be funded through regular provincial taxation, not municipal property taxation;

And further that this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Health, Minister of Long Term Care, MPP Norm Miller, MPP Vic Fedeli, Ontario Health Board Chair, FONOM Chair, NOMA Chair, AMO Chair, North Bay Parry Sound Health Unit and the Township of Strong.

Carried

Moved by: Don Carmichael
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

20-105

Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of McKellar direct the Clerk Administrator to advise property owners on Squaw Lake Road of the proposed road name change.

Carried

Moved by: Mike Kekkonen
Seconded by: Marco Ancinelli

20-106

Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of McKellar authorize staff to prepare a Request for Proposal for a new water system in the community centre.

Carried

Moved by: Don Carmichael
Seconded by: Marco Ancinelli

20-107

Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of McKellar authorize staff to prepare a Request for Proposal for a consultant's review of municipal efficiencies.

Carried

Moved by: Don Carmichael
Seconded by: Marco Ancinelli

20-108

WHEREAS municipalities have had an ongoing challenge to meet demands to maintain and enhance infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS there has been no consistent, sustainable means to fund multi-year major infrastructure projects;

AND WHEREAS continued reliance on sporadic government funding for infrastructure will only result in ongoing deterioration of infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS all municipal governments look for any efficiencies and innovative ways to address current and future funding challenges;



Council Meeting Minutes

TOWNSHIP OF MCKELLAR

March 2, 2020

AND WHEREAS all other provincial governments have consolidated their various education boards into one single non-secular educational system to save money, Ontario should also consider moving to a singular publicly funded educational system;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of McKellar request that the provincial government revamp the current tax system by doing the following:

- Since education is a provincially funded program and eliminate the education tax collected by municipalities.
- Transform the current municipal education tax levy into a municipal infrastructure tax to ensure a consistent source of revenue for municipal short-term projects and to finance longer-term infrastructure projects.
- Eliminate the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (and other similar provincial grants) to be replaced by the municipal infrastructure tax.

AND FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be sent to Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier; Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs; Victor Fedeli, Minister of Finance; Andrea Horwath, Leader of the New Democratic Party; and all MPPs in the Province of Ontario;

AND FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA), Rural Ontario Municipalities Association (ROMA), Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association (DPSMA) and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration.

Deferred

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

20-109

Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of McKellar authorize interested Councillors to attend the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association meeting being held in Sprucedale on May 1, 2020;

And further that all applicable costs are paid.

Carried

Moved by: Don Carmichael
Seconded by: Marco Ancinelli

20-110

Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of McKellar authorize Mayor Peter Hopkins to attend the AMCTO Municipal Leaders' Forum being held in Toronto on March 27, 2020;

And further that all applicable costs are paid.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Marco Ancinelli

20-111

Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of McKellar authorize Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Karen Gerrard to attend the AMCTO Cemetery Workshop being held in Huntsville on May 28, 2020;

And further that all applicable costs are paid.

Carried

PUBLIC NOTICES, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INQUIRIES BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Upcoming Meetings:

- Official Plan Amendment & Zoning By-law – March 16, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.
- Procedural By-law – March 16, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.



TOWNSHIP OF MCKELLAR

Council Meeting Minutes

March 2, 2020

- Wellness Centre & Pool Citizens Advisory Committee – March 3, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. at the Municipality of McDougall Council Chambers
- Business, Economic Development & Tourism Adhoc Committee – March 14, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.
- Special Council (Budget) – March 18, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.
- Stewardship & Environmental Adhoc Committee – March 28, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.
- By-law/Policy Review Committee – March 31, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

Councillor Haskim reported on the Recreation Committee meeting attended on February 27, 2020. Upcoming recreation events are posted on the municipal website.

Councillor Kekkonen reported on the upcoming Historical Committee meeting being held on March 4, 2020. The Historical Committee is always looking for new members.

Councillor Carmichael reported on the Belvedere Heights Board meeting attended. Belvedere Heights Board has set the 2020 levy at no increase from 2019. The Board is presently looking at a three year plan to reduce the levy to \$500,000 and the Board is applying for a twenty-four bed expansion.

Mayor Hopkins reported on the Budget meeting attended on February 19, 2020, the Stewardship & Environmental Adhoc Committee meeting held on February 22, 2020, the Library Board meeting held on February 24, 2020, the By-law/Policy Review Committee meeting held on February 24, 2020, the Smartco AGM held on February 27, 2020 and the OPP meeting held on February 28, 2020. Mayor Hopkins also reported on various events happening in the Township. Mayor's report is on file.

Moved by: Mike Kekkonen
Seconded by: Marco Ancinelli

20-112 Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of McKellar receive the Correspondence Items listed on the Consent Agenda for the March 2, 2020 Meeting of Council.

Carried

QUESTION/COMMENT PERIOD

The following members of the public addressed Council: Mr. Gord Zulak and Mr. John Cole

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Marco Ancinelli

20-113 Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of McKellar, pursuant to Section 239(2)(b) and (c) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, as amended, move into closed session at 8:11 p.m. to discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees – Administration; and a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board

Carried

Moved by: Marco Ancinelli
Seconded by: Morley Haskim

20-114 Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of McKellar come out of closed session at 8:30 p.m. and reconvene the meeting.

Carried

Moved by: Mike Kekkonen
Seconded by: Marco Ancinelli

20-115 Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of McKellar accept the reports, recommendations and directions arising from the closed session held March 2, 2020.

Carried



TOWNSHIP OF MCKELLAR

Council Meeting Minutes

March 2, 2020

Moved by: Don Carmichael
Seconded by: Marco Ancinelli

20-116 Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of McKellar direct the Clerk Administrator to prepare a by-law to purchase land for the next Council meeting.
Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Don Carmichael

20-117 Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of McKellar hereby give By-law No. 2020-12, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council, First and Second reading;

And further Read a Third time and Passed in Open Council this 2nd day of March, 2020.

Carried

Moved by: Morley Haskim
Seconded by: Mike Kekkonen

20-118 Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of McKellar adjourn to meet again on March 16, 2020 or at the call of the Mayor. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.
Carried



Mayor



Clerk