



MINUTES
Regular Council

April 10, 2018
6:00pm
Council Chambers, Town Hall

Council Present: Mayor Strathdee
Councillor Osborne
Councillor Van Galen
Councillor Winter
Councillor Hainer
Councillor Pope
Councillor Craigmile

Staff Present: Brent Kittmer, CAO / Clerk
Trisha McKibbin, Director of Corporate Services / Acting Clerk
Jed Kelly, Director of Public Works
Jenna McCartney, Corporate Administrative Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Strathdee called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Mayor Strathdee asked Council to pause for a moment of silence to reflect on the recent tragedy in Humboldt, Saskatchewan.

Mayor Strathdee stated that a condolence book has been placed at the Pyramid Recreation Centre available for the public to sign which will in turn be sent to Humboldt.

2. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor Craigmile declared a pecuniary interest for agenda item 8.1.1.

Councillor Van Galen declared a pecuniary interest for agenda items 5.1 and 8.2.1.

3. AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution 2018-04-10-01

Moved By Councillor Pope

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT the April 10, 2018 regular Council meeting agenda be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

4. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

Frank Doyle of St. Marys Independent newspaper inquired if the Town is responsible for updating the voters list for the upcoming municipal election.

Trisha McKibbin stated that residents may visit VoterLookup.ca to determine if they are on the municipal voters list.

Mr. Doyle inquired the process if the resident is not on the municipal voters list.

Ms. McKibbin stated that in the near future the resident will be able to access a module on the Town website for the purpose of requesting the necessary modifications to the municipal voters list. Should a resident wish additional assistance, they may call or visit the Clerk's Department.

5. DELEGATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AND PUBLIC MEETINGS

5.1 St. Marys Community Players re: Balcony Raking Renovation Plan

Councillor Van Galen declared a conflict on this item. Councillor Van Galen vacated his seat.

Gary Austin spoke to the delegation from the St. Marys Community Players and responded to questions from Council.

Council discussed the proposed final finish for the flooring and the procurement policy.

Resolution 2018-04-10-02

Moved By Councillor Pope

Seconded By Councillor Osborne

THAT the delegation from St. Marys Community Players regarding balcony raking renovation plan be received.

CARRIED

5.2 Southwestern Integrated Fibre Technology Inc. re: St. Marys participation

Councillor Van Galen returned to his seat at Council.

Mr. Geoff Hogan spoke to the SWIFT delegation and responded to questions from Council.

Council sought clarification in the ask within the presentation for a \$50,000 commitment compared to the \$300,000 commitment in letter to Council dated January 12, 2018.

Mr. Hogan stated the figure presented in the letter is an error.

Council asked Mr. Hogan to confirm the formula used to determine St. Marys' share.

Council discussed the last mile approach for the Town.

Staff sought clarification regarding the organizations that could seek funding from SWIFT.

Council discussed CRTC regulations and how it plays a role into future infrastructure growth.

Resolution 2018-04-10-03

Moved By Councillor Winter

Seconded By Councillor Pope

THAT the delegation from Southwestern Integrated Fibre Technologies Inc. regarding St. Marys participation be received; and

THAT staff report back to Council with information on how participating in the SWIFT initiative will support Council's strategic goal for last mile fibre in St. Marys.

CARRIED

6. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

6.1 Regular Council - March 27, 2018

Resolution 2018-04-10-04

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Van Galen

THAT the March 27, 2018 regular Council meeting minutes be approved and signed and sealed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

CARRIED

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 City of Stratford re: joint Federation of Ontario Public Libraries / Ontario Library Association support

Resolution 2018-04-10-05

Moved By Councillor Winter

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT the correspondence from the City of Stratford regarding the joint Federation of Ontario Public Libraries / Ontario Library Association support be received.

CARRIED

7.2 Township of Zorra re: High Speed Rail Plan

Resolution 2018-04-10-06

Moved By Councillor Van Galen

Seconded By Councillor Hainer

THAT the correspondence from the Township of Zorra regarding the High Speed Rail Plan be received; and

THAT High Speed Rail is only one viable option to improve transportation in Southwestern Ontario; and

THAT the Environmental Assessment must also include other viable options to improve transportation in Southwestern Ontario; and

THAT all committees created for the purpose of High Speed Rail also have representation from the Councils and community members / organizations directly affected by this proposed High Speed Rail plan.

CARRIED

7.3 Hydro One re: Priority Wood Pole Replacement

Resolution 2018-04-10-07

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Van Galen

THAT the correspondence from Hydro One Networks Inc. regarding a priority wood pole replacement in St. Marys be received.

CARRIED

8. STAFF REPORTS

8.1 Administration and Human Resources

8.1.1 CAO 12-2018 St. Marys Memorial Hospital Foundation Fee Waiver Request

Councillor Craigmile declared a conflict on this item. Councillor Craigmile excused himself from Council table.

Brent Kittmer spoke to CAO 12-2018 report and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2018-04-10-08

Moved By Councillor Winter

Seconded By Councillor Van Galen

THAT CAO 12-2018 St. Marys Memorial Hospital Foundation Fee Waiver Request be received; and

THAT Council approves a variance to the Community Grant Program to fund the request from the St. Marys Memorial Hospital Foundation to waive building and planning fees for the Tradition Mutual Wellness Centre expansion.

CARRIED

8.2 Building and Development Services

8.2.1 DEV 15-2018 Town Hall Auditorium Balcony Raking Renovation Plan

Councillor Craigmile returned to his seat at Council.

Councillor Van Galen declared a conflict on this item. Councillor Van Galen excused himself from Council table.

Brent Kittmer spoke to DEV 15-2018 report and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2018-04-10-09

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Pope

THAT DEV 15-2018 Town hall Auditorium Balcony Raking Renovation Plan be received; and

THAT Council approves the proposed Town Hall Auditorium Balcony Raking Renovation Plan; and

THAT the Town pay 50%, to a maximum of \$3,000, for the balcony renovation to be funded by an approved variance to the Facilities 2018 Operating Budget.

CARRIED

9. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor Van Galen returned to his seat.

Council took a brief recess at 7:20pm.

Mayor Strathdee called the meeting back to order at 7:26pm.

9.1 Operational and Board Reports

9.1.1 Bluewater Recycling Association - Coun. Craigmile

Councillor Craigmile spoke to the minutes and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2018-04-10-10

Moved By Councillor Pope

Seconded By Councillor Osborne

THAT the March 15, 2018 Bluewater Recycling Association Board of Directors' meeting highlights be received.

CARRIED

9.1.2 Library Board - Coun. Osborne, Winter

Councillor Winter spoke to the minutes and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2018-04-10-11

Moved By Councillor Winter

Seconded By Councillor Hainer

THAT the February 8, 2018 St. Marys Public Library Board meeting minutes be received.

CARRIED

9.1.3 Municipal Shared Services Committee - Mayor Strathdee, Coun. Winter

Councillor Winter spoke to the minutes and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2018-04-10-12

Moved By Councillor Winter

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT the March 15, 2018 Municipal Shared Services Committee meeting draft minutes be received.

CARRIED

9.1.4 Perth District Health Unit - Coun. Osborne

Councillor Osborne spoke to the minutes and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2018-04-10-13

Moved By Councillor Pope

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT the February 21, 2018 Perth District Health Unit Board meeting minutes be received.

CARRIED

9.1.5 Spruce Lodge Board - Coun. Pope, Van Galen

Councillors Van Galen and Pope spoke to the minutes and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2018-04-10-14

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Van Galen

THAT the February 21, 2018 Spruce Lodge Board of Management meeting minutes be received.

CARRIED

9.1.6 Upper Thames River Conservation Authority

No recent minutes provided.

9.2 Advisory and Ad-Hoc Committee Reports

9.2.1 Accessibility Advisory Committee - Coun. Hainer

Councillor Hainer spoke to the recent minutes and responded to questions from Council.

Mayor Strathdee noted an error that S. Croft was present.

Resolution 2018-04-10-15

Moved By Councillor Osborne

Seconded By Councillor Hainer

THAT the March 6, 2018 Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting draft minutes be received; and

THAT the March 13, 2018 Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting draft minutes be received.

CARRIED

9.2.2 Business Improvement Area - Coun. Pope

Councillor Pope spoke to the minutes and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2018-04-10-16

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Pope

THAT the February 15, 2018 St. Marys Business Improvement Area meeting draft minutes be received.

CARRIED

9.2.3 CBHFM - Coun. Hainer

Councillor Hainer spoke to the minutes and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2018-04-10-17

Moved By Councillor Hainer

Seconded By Councillor Osborne

THAT the February 23, 2018 Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum Board of Directors meeting minutes be received.

CARRIED

9.2.4 Committee of Adjustment

No recent meetings.

9.2.5 Community Policing Advisory Committee - Mayor Strathdee, Coun. Van Galen

Councillor Van Galen spoke to the minutes and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2018-04-10-18

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Winter

THAT the March 21, 2018 Community Policing Advisory Committee meeting minutes be received.

CARRIED

9.2.6 Economic Development Committee - Coun. Pope

Councillor Pope spoke to the minutes and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2018-04-10-19

Moved By Councillor Osborne

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT the March 28, 2018 Economic Development Advisory Committee meeting draft minutes be received.

CARRIED

9.2.7 Heritage St. Marys - Coun. Pope

Councillor Pope spoke to the minutes and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2018-04-10-20

Moved By Councillor Pope

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT the February 10, 2018 Heritage St. Marys meeting minutes be received.

CARRIED

9.2.8 Museum Board - Coun. Winter

Councillor Winter spoke to the minutes and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2018-04-10-21

Moved By Councillor Winter

Seconded By Councillor Van Galen

THAT the March 14, 2018 St. Marys Museum Board meeting draft minutes be received; and

THAT agenda item 6.0.a. be raised for discussion.

CARRIED

Resolution 2018-04-10-22

Moved By Councillor Winter

Seconded By No seconder

THAT the St. Marys Museum Board recommends to Council that the staffing level at the Museum be increased to 2.0 FTE in the 2019 budget.

FAILED

9.2.9 Planning Advisory Committee - Coun. Craigmile, Van Galen

Councillor Van Galen spoke to the minutes and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2018-04-10-23

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Van Galen

THAT the March 19, 2018 Planning Advisory Committee meeting minutes be received.

CARRIED

9.2.10 Heritage Conservation District Advisory Committee - Coun. Winter

Councillor Winter spoke to the minutes and responded to questions from Council.

Resolution 2018-04-10-24

Moved By Councillor Pope

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT the March 26, 2018 Heritage Conservation District Advisory Committee meeting draft minutes be received.

CARRIED

9.2.11 Senior Services Board - Coun. Craigmile

Councillor Craigmile stated that minutes of the recent meeting will be coming shortly.

9.2.12 Huron Perth Healthcare Local Advisory Committee - Coun. Hainer

No recent meeting.

9.2.13 St. Marys Lincolns Board - Coun. Craigmile

Councillor Craigmile spoke to a recent meeting's activities.

9.2.14 St. Marys Cement Community Liaison Committee - Mayor Strathdee, Coun. Craigmile

No recent meetings.

Mr. Kittmer stated that a public meeting will be held on May 15, 2018 with more information to follow.

10. EMERGENT OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

12. BY-LAWS

None.

13. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Mayor Strathdee reviewed the upcoming meetings as presented in the agenda.

Council took a brief recess at 8:23pm.

Mayor Strathdee called the meeting back to order at 8:27pm.

14. CLOSED SESSION

Resolution 2018-04-10-25

Moved By Councillor Pope

Seconded By Councillor Craigmile

THAT Council move into a session that is closed to the public at 8:28pm as authorized under the *Municipal Act*, Section 239(2)(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, and (d) labour relations or employee negotiations.

CARRIED

15. RISE AND REPORT

Resolution 2018-04-10-26

Moved By Councillor Osborne

Seconded By Councillor Hainer

THAT Council rise from a closed session at 9:20pm.

CARRIED

Mayor Strathdee reported that a closed session was held and one matter was considered related to employee relations matters. There is nothing future to report at this time.

16. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

Resolution 2018-04-10-27

Moved By Councillor Van Galen

Seconded By Councillor Hainer

THAT By-Law 36-2018, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of April 10, 2018 regular Council meeting, be read a first, second and third time; and be finally passed and signed and sealed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

CARRIED

17. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 2018-04-10-28

Moved By Councillor Craigmile

Seconded By Councillor Van Galen

THAT this regular meeting of Council adjourn at 9:21pm.

CARRIED

Al Strathdee, Mayor

Brent Kittmer, CAO / Clerk