



**CORPORATION OF THE
CITY OF CLARENCE-ROCKLAND
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES**

September 6, 2017
Council Chambers
415 rue Lemay Street, Clarence Creek, Ont.

PRESENT: Guy Desjardins, Mayor
Jean-Marc Lalonde, Councillor Ward 1
Mario Zanth, Councillor Ward 2
Charles Berlinguette, Councillor Ward 4
André J. Lalonde, Councillor Ward 5
Krysta Simard, Councillor Ward 6
Michel Levert, Councillor Ward 7
Helen Collier, Chief Administrative Officer
Monique Ouellet, Clerk

ABSENT: Carl Grimard, Councillor Ward 3
Diane Choinière, Councillor Ward 8

1. Opening of the meeting

Mayor Desjardins calls the meeting to order at 8:25 p.m.

2. Adoption of the agenda

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-186

Moved by Michel Levert

Seconded by Krysta Simard

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3. Disclosure of pecuniary interests

None

4. Delegations / Presentations

None

5. Petitions / Correspondence

5.1 Petition presented by Mrs. Francine Mault in regards to a speed reduction on Giroux Street

Mrs. Francine Mault presents her petition and explains the reasons why she is requesting that the speed be reduced on Giroux Street.

Mayor Desjardins requests that the administration bring a report with a recommendation for Council's consideration.

5.2 Petition presented by Mrs. Carol Berndt in regards to Campeau Crescent and St-Jacques Street

Mrs. Carol Berndt presents her petition and explains that she is hoping that something can be done to improve the condition of Campeau and St-Jacques Streets.

Councillor Jean-Marc Lalonde comments that he will be looking into this matter and that he will be bringing his recommendations during the budget deliberations.

Further to questions, Mr. Dave Darch explains that the department will be taking this petition in consideration as the priorities are set for the 10 years program.

Mayor Desjardins requests that the administration prepare a report with a recommendation for Council's consideration.

5.3 Sponsorship request from 'Épelle-moi Canada'

Mayor Desjardins encourages Members of Council to consider sponsoring this event from their individual budgets.

6. Notice of Motion

None

7. Comment/Question Period

Mr. Jacques Bougie asks how speeding can be controlled on Campeau Crescent. Mayor Desjardins explains that residents need to call the Ontario Provincial Police and file a complaint.

Mr. Allan MacIntyre asks that the petition to improve the condition of Campeau Crescent be considered seriously.

8. Report from the United Counties of Prescott and Russell

Mayor Desjardins explains that the Council of the United Counties of Prescott and Russell have decided that if any municipality under their jurisdiction is

interested in adopting a by-law respecting the protection of woodlands, this power will be delegated to the municipalities upon request.

9. Committee/Staff Reports

9.1 Property to be declared surplus to the needs of the City, Drouin Road

Further to comment, Mrs. Helen Collier explains that the City has a list of properties that it owns, however, the inventory has not been studied to identify the properties that should be declared surplus and advertised for sale.

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-187

Moved by Michel Levert

Seconded by Charles Berlinguette

WHEREAS By-law 2004-153 provides the procedures for disposing of surplus property; and

WHEREAS further to a consultation with all department heads, the administration recommends that the property known as 3575 Drouin Road be declared surplus to the needs of the City;

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council declares the property known as 3575 Drouin Road to be surplus to the needs of the City; and

THAT Council hereby authorizes the Clerk and/or the Director of Finance to proceed to the sale of the surplus property identified as 3575 Drouin Road as per the policy adopted under By-law 2004-153.

CARRIED

9.2 Amendment to the Client Accounts Policy for Daycare Services

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-188

Moved by André J. Lalonde

Seconded by Charles Berlinguette

THAT the Committee of the Whole hereby recommends that Council approves the amendments to the clients account policy GAR15-01, as recommended.

CARRIED

9.3 Delegation of authority with respect to property assessment and the collection of taxes

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-189

Moved by Jean-Marc Lalonde

Seconded by Charles Berlinguette

THAT Report No. FIN2017-21, in regards to the delegation of authority with respect to property assessment and the collection of taxes be received; and

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council adopts a by-law to delegate its authority to the Treasurer in order to deal with the Assessment Review Board, for any property in the City of Clarence-Rockland.

CARRIED

9.4 Tax reduction under Sections 357 and 358 of the Ontario Municipal Act

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-190

Moved by Jean-Marc Lalonde

Seconded by Charles Berlinguette

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council approves the tax reductions in the amount of \$6,733.00, City's share of \$1881.00, as identified on Schedule 'A' of report no. FIN2017-027, being applications under sections 357 & 358 of the Municipal Act, against all lands concerned.

CARRIED

9.5 Accounts Receivable Write Off

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-191

Moved by Michel Levert

Seconded by Jean-Marc Lalonde

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council authorizes the transfer of \$32,051.43 from the water rates reserve to apply against the Accounts Receivable write off.

CARRIED

9.6 Agreement to become a Regional Training Centre for the Ontario Fire College

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-192

Moved by Krysta Simard

Seconded by Charles Berlinguette

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign an agreement with the Ontario Fire College to establish the City of Clarence-Rockland as a Regional Training Centre.

CARRIED

9.7 Bill 148, Fair Workplaces, Better Jobs Act, 2017

Mayor Desjardins explains that he will be bringing this information to the United Counties of Prescott and Russell to ensure that all are aware of the potential impact if this Bill is passed. Mayor Desjardins explains that he will request that a representative be present in consultations.

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-193

Moved by Jean-Marc Lalonde

Seconded by Charles Berlinguette

THAT Report No. ADMIN 2017-021, in regards to the potential impact of the proposed Bill 148, be received as information.

CARRIED

9.8 10 Year Capital Works Program

Mr. Julien Lenhart presents the 10 Year Capital Program.

Further to questions, Mr. Dave Darch explains the rationale behind the proposed key principles.

Further to questions, Mr. Robert Kehoe explains that he can bring the results of his research that shows that other municipalities are also having difficulties maintaining their assets.

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-194

Moved by Michel Levert

Seconded by Charles Berlinguette

THAT the 10 Capital Works Program for the City's roads, bridges, culverts, water and sewer infrastructure, attached to Report No. INF2017-057, be received; and

FURTHER THAT the Committee of the Whole accepts that consideration of the said program be postponed for a one-month period to enable members of Council to consult with their constituents and/or staff to clarify the priorities identified in the program and provide input; and

FINALLY THAT the final draft of the 10 year Capital Works Program, as amended throughout the consultation process, be considered at the Committee of the Whole meeting of October 16, 2017.

CARRIED

9.9 Bouvier Road Project Update and Options

Councillor André J. Lalonde asks that a letter be sent to advise the affected residents of Council's decision.

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-195

Moved by André J. Lalonde

Seconded by Jean-Marc Lalonde

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council agrees to proceed with the corrective work as indicated in Option "A" of staff report No. INF2017-058; and

THAT Council agrees to delay the paving work on Bouvier Road, between Baseline Road and Vinette Road and to give consideration to this project in the 2018 Capital budget deliberations.

CARRIED

9.10 Fall clean-up

Further to questions, Mr. Dave Darch confirms that the level of service is not being reduced.

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-196

Moved by Krysta Simard

Seconded by Jean-Marc Lalonde

THAT Report INF2017-059, in regards to the Fall Clean-up Program, be received as information.

CARRIED

9.11 St-Joseph Project, Contingency Costs Update #3

Further to questions, Mr. Dave Darch provides an explanation to the \$50,000 being incurred due to the stoppage of the work.

Councillor Mario Zanth asks if it is possible to add a sign to identify that a new stop sign has been installed.

Councillor Mario Zanth explains there is a lack of parking spaces in the school area.

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-197

Moved by Mario Zanth

Seconded by Krysta Simard

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council approves the transfer of funds in the amount of \$50,000 from the roads reserve due to costs related to the work stoppage on St-Joseph street between Laurier street and Ave. Du Parc and miscellaneous reinstatement issues as elaborated in report No. INF2017-051; and

FURTHER THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council supports the staff's position to not build a retaining wall within City right-of-way at 864 St-Joseph Street as elaborated in report No. INF2017-051.

CARRIED

9.12 Fire Stations Revised Options and Budget Request

Further to questions, Mrs. Helen Collier explains that the Rockland Fire Station was identified as a need three years ago. Mrs. Collier adds that the Bourget Fire Station was identified as a need for 2018. Mrs. Collier further explains that should Council's decision be delayed, the project delivery will be impacted.

Further to questions, Mr. Brian Wilson explains that at this point, the plans submitted for consideration are concept plans only. Mr. Wilson adds that once the project is approved by Council, detailed plans will be prepared.

Discussions are held in regards to the need of a gym and sauna. Mr. Wilson explains that by adding space for a gym, and/or sauna, the City is encouraging the firefighters to spend time in the station which reduces response time at the same time as promoting health.

Discussions are held in regards to the possibility of having the fire and EMS share the new facility.

Further to questions, Mr. Brian Wilson explains why he is recommending a hose tower.

Further to questions, Mrs. Helen Collier explains the cost and the proposed financing.

Further to questions, Mr. Brian Wilson explains the rationale behind the proposed locations.

Further to questions, Mr. Wilson explains why four bays are being recommended.

Further to questions, Mr. Frechette of Colliers explains how his firm evaluated the cost.

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-198

Moved by Charles Berlinguette

Seconded by Jean-Marc Lalonde

THAT Report No. PRO2017-016 be received; and

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council approve Option A with a revised budget in the amount of \$6,429,109.31 for the construction of a joint Fire/Bylaw/EMS facility in Rockland, which includes a 10% contingency; and

FURTHER THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council approve a revised budget in the amount of \$3,831,830 for the construction of a joint Fire/EMS facility in Bourget, which includes a 10% contingency; and

FINALLY THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council delegate to the Chief Administrative Officer the authority to negotiate with the United Counties of Prescott and Russell, the potential sale of the EMS facility on Landry Road.

CARRIED

10. Other items

Councillor Mario Zanth asks if it is possible to prepare a report in order to consider the acceptance of credit cards as a method of payment.

Councillor Mario Zanth asks if we can consider closing the direct entrance for the Clarence-Rockland Arena from Highway 17. Mrs. Helen Collier explains that a report is being prepared in this regard and that it will be presented to Council in the near future.

11. Adjournment

The Mayor adjourns the meeting at 11:04 p.m.

Guy Desjardins, Mayor

Monique Ouellet, Clerk