



**CORPORATION OF THE  
CITY OF CLARENCE-ROCKLAND  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

January 17, 2024  
Council Chambers  
415 rue Lemay Street, Clarence Creek, Ont.

**PRESENT:** Mario Zanth, Mayor  
Kyle Cyr, Councillor Ward 1  
Carl Grimard, Councillor Ward 3  
André J. Lalonde, Councillor Ward 5  
Simon-Olivier Péladeau-Houle, Councillor Ward 6  
Trevor Stewart, Councillor Ward 7  
Pierre Voisine, Chief Administrative Officer  
Monique Ouellet, Clerk  
Karine McCulloch

**ABSENT:** Stephane Fournier, Councillor Ward 2  
Samuel Cardarelli, Councillor Ward 4  
Diane Choinière, Councillor Ward 8

**1. Opening of the meeting**

Mayor Zanth calls the meeting to order at 17h31.

**1.1 Strategic Planning Workshop**

Pierre Voisine gives a brief overview of the strategic planning process and explains the purpose of the workshop.

The workshop, animated by Jean-François Pagé of KSAR Consultant Group, ends at 6:12 p.m.

The Mayor adjourns the meeting and announces that the meeting will reconvene at 6:30 p.m.

The Mayor calls the meeting reconvened at 6:34 p.m. and explains that the meeting started at 5:01 pm in order to allow for a Strategic Planning Workshop

hosted by KSAR Consulting Group. He added that although that portion of the meeting was open to the public, it was not broadcasted.

**2. Land Acknowledgement**

Councillor Cyr reads the land acknowledgement of Indigenous territories.

**3. Moment of Reflection**

Councillor Grimard recites the moment of reflection.

**4. Adoption of the agenda**

**RESOLUTION 2024-01**

**Moved by** Kyle Cyr

**Seconded by** Carl Grimard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted with the addition of item 15.5 being a by-law to appoint a deputy clerk and item 15.6 being a by-law to confirm the appointment of the Chief Building Official, Building Inspectors, and Property Standards Officers.

**CARRIED**, as modified

**5. Disclosure of pecuniary interests**

None

**6. Closed Meeting**

Members of Council move to the conference room adjacent to the Council Chambers at 6:35 p.m. and return to the Council Chambers at 7:05 p.m.

**RESOLUTION 2024-02**

**Moved by** Carl Grimard

**Seconded by** Kyle Cyr

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regular meeting be adjourned in order to discuss the following items, as stipulated in Section 239 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended:

6.1 Closed Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2023

6.2 Fire Department Shared Services Request

6.3 Negotiation Mandate (IAFF)

**CARRIED**

**7. Resolution to resume open meeting**

**RESOLUTION 2024-03**

**Moved by** Kyle Cyr

**Seconded by** Carl Grimard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the closed session be adjourned to resume the regular meeting.

**CARRIED**

**8. Closed Meeting report**

Mayor Zanth informs the members of the public that Council discussed some matters in closed session and that directives were given to staff.

**9. Announcements / Special Presentations**

Councillor Trevor Steward announces the Hammond Carnaval which will be held from February 11 to 18, 2024.

Councillor André J. Lalonde announces the Clarence Creek Carnaval which will be held from February 9 to 18, 2024.

Councillor Simon-Olivier Péladeau-Houle announces the St-Pascal-Baylon Carnaval which will be held from February 24 to 28, 2024.

**10. Committee of the Whole items**

**10.1 Delegations/Presentations**

**a. Presentation by Alexis Maisonneuve of Club Optimist St-Pascal Baylon regarding a proposal for murals at the Ronald Lalonde Community Centre**

Alexis Maisonneuve presents his project and requests the City's financial support to supply night-time lighting to illuminate the project.

Further to questions, Jean-Luc Jubinville explains that the administration sees no problem in supplying lighting at very minimal costs.

Further to questions, Alexis Maisonneuve explains that there might be different ways in which the mural could be protected from the weather and/or graffiti.

At this point, the Mayor, with Council's approval, directs the administration to work with M. Maisonneuve to facilitate the project.

## **10.2 Petitions and Correspondence**

### **a. Petition submitted by Sovannrith Sok of 27 Monique Street, requesting that stop signs be installed at the intersection of Dr. Corbeil and Caron**

Further to questions, Jean-Luc Jubinville explains that a traffic calming measures policy is currently being developed and will be presented to Council in the near future.

The petition is received and filed.

### **b. Petition submitted by Sovannrith Sok of 27 Monique Street, requesting that garbage bins be installed strategically throughout the City.**

The petition is received and filed.

## **10.3 Notice of motion**

### **a. Notice of Motion proposed by Councillor Kyle Cyr and seconded by Mayor Mario Zanth regarding the 9-8-8 National suicide and crisis hotline**

Councillor Cyr presents his motion.

WHEREAS Canada has adopted 9-8-8, as National three-digit suicide and crisis hotline; and

WHEREAS the City of Clarence-Rockland recognizes that it is a significant and important initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Clarence-Rockland continues to endorse the 9-8-8 Crisis Line initiative and will display the 9-8-8 information poster in all its municipal buildings; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to Todd Doherty, MP for Cariboo-Prince George, as well as all Ontario municipalities.

## **10.4 Committee/Staff Reports**

None

## **11. Committee of the Whole Report**

None

**12. Council Members' Items**

**12.1 Resolution presented by Councillor Carl Grimard and seconded by Councillor Stéphane Fournier in regards to the lighting for pedestrian in the Laurier East Sector**

**RESOLUTION 2024-04**

**Moved by** Carl Grimard

**Seconded by** Kyle Cyr

WHEREAS pedestrian lighting on Laurier Street from Laporte Street to the Fire Station is enhanced by indirect lighting from existing businesses; and

WHEREAS the presence of businesses is weaker from the Fire Station to Montée Outaouais, and the pedestrian lighting in this sector displays some very dark areas at night; and

WHEREAS Laurier Street is the main artery in the urban sector of our city and some residents have expressed their insecurity walking in this area at night;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the municipal council mandate the administration to evaluate the quality of the pedestrian lighting in this sector in order to correct this safety situation if required.

**CARRIED**

**12.2 Resolution presented by Councillor Diane Choinière and seconded by Mayor Mario Zanth declaring the violence against women an epidemic**

Councillor Choinière being absent, her members motion will be considered at the next regular meeting.

**13. Consent Items**

**RESOLUTION 2024-05**

**Moved by** Kyle Cyr

**Seconded by** Carl Grimard

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following items, as identified under the consent items category on the regular meeting agenda of January 17, 2024, be adopted:

13.1 Adoption of the minutes of the following meeting:

a. Regular Council Meeting of December 13, 2023

13.2 The following recommendation from Committee of the Whole of December 13, 2023

- a. Resolution to mandate the administration to install proper signage to maximize the security in order to advise the pedestrian that the sidewalk adjacent to the Drouin Bridge is not accessible

13.3 Resolution to approve salaries paid from November 26 to December 23, 2023

13.4 Resolution approve the accounts paid from December 4, 2023 to January 7, 2024

**CARRIED**

***Text of the resolutions as adopted by consent under Resolution 2024-05***

**13.1a** ***BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of December 13, 2023, be adopted.***

**13.2a** ***BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council hereby mandates the administration to install proper signage to maximize the security in order to advise the pedestrian that the sidewalk adjacent to the Drouin Bridge is not accessible.***

**13.3** ***BE IT RESOLVED that the salaries paid from November 26th, 2023, to December 23rd, 2023, in the gross amount of \$1,112,726.65 and net amount of \$806,893.53 be adopted as recommended.***

**13.4** ***BE IT RESOLVED that the accounts paid from December 4th, 2023, to January 7th, 2024, in the amount of \$8,151,303.49 be adopted as recommended.***

**14. Committee/Staff Reports**

**14.1 Proposed Municipal Grants Program Policy**

**RESOLUTION 2024-06**

**Moved by** Kyle Cyr

**Seconded by** Simon-Olivier Péladeau-Houle

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 2024-07, being a by-law to establish the Municipal Grant Program Policy No. FIN1.1-2024 as well as the Municipal Grants Committee Terms of Reference, be adopted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT By-law No. 2024-08, being a by-law to establish the Council Expense Policy, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

## **14.2 Cobbs Lake Creek Bridge**

Further to discussion, the item is deferred to the next regular meeting as proposed by Councillor Grimard and seconded by Councillor Lalonde.

### **RESOLUTION 2024-07**

**Moved by** Simon-Olivier Péladeau-Houle

**Seconded by** Trevor Stewart

WHEREAS following the presentation of Report TP2022-005 regarding Cobb's Lake Creek Bridge on December 19th 2022, the administration received the mandate to present additional options in order to consider selling or transferring the road and the bridge; and

WHEREAS Council has considered the additional options presented by the administration in closed session on February 8, 2023; and

WHEREAS a budget of \$336,600 has already been adopted during the 2023 budget process;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the municipal council mandates the administration to proceed with the Cobb's Lake Creek bridge demolition option as presented in report TP2022-005B.

**DEFERRED**

## **14.3 2024 Annual Mayor's Golf Tournament**

### **RESOLUTION 2024-08**

**Moved by** Carl Grimard

**Seconded by** Trevor Stewart

**WHEREAS** the AFMO Conference is being hosted by the City of Clarence-Rockland in the fall of 2024; and

**WHEREAS** the organizers have agreed to add the Mayor's Golf Tournament to the conference program;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council exceptionally accepts to waive Policy CORP2022-01, in order to allow the administration to organize the 2024 Mayor's Golf Tournament and to include it as part of the AFMO Conference Program.

**CARRIED**

**14.4 Proposed Memorandum of Understanding for the Development of a Large-Scale Tennis Facility**

**RESOLUTION 2024-09**

**Moved by** Kyle Cyr

**Seconded by** Trevor Stewart

WHEREAS a Memorandum of Understanding was developed for the development of a large-scale tennis facility as directed by Council.

BE IT RESOLVED that By-law 2024-05, authorizing the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding with Rockland Racket Sports for the development of a large-scale tennis facility, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**15. By-laws**

**RESOLUTION 2024-10**

**Moved by** Carl Grimard

**Seconded by** Kyle Cyr

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following by-laws be adopted:

15.1 2024-01 Property Sale - vacant land on Old Highway 17

15.2 2024-02 Property Sale - vacant land on Gendron Road

15.3 2024-03 being a Zoning By-law Amendment for 3054 Gagne Road

15.4 2024-04 being a by-law to authorize a two-month extension to the Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA) Service Agreement

15.5 2024-09 being a by-law to appoint a deputy clerk

15.6 2024-10 being a by-law to confirm the appointment of the Chief Building Official, Building Inspectors, and Property Standards Officers.

**CARRIED**

**16. Confirmatory By-law**

**RESOLUTION 2024-11**

**Moved by** Kyle Cyr

**Seconded by** Trevor Stewart

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 2024-06, being a confirmatory by-law for the regular meeting of January 17, 2024, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**17. Adjournment**

Mayor Zanth adjourns the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

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Mario Zanth, Mayor;

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Monique Ouellet, Clerk