



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

February 14, 2024  
Council Chambers  
415 rue Lemay Street, Clarence Creek, Ont.

**PRESENT:** Mario Zanth, Mayor  
Kyle Cyr, Councillor Ward 1  
Stephane Fournier, Councillor Ward 2  
Samuel Cardarelli, Councillor Ward 4  
André J. Lalonde, Councillor Ward 5  
Simon-Olivier Péladeau-Houle, Councillor Ward 6  
Trevor Stewart, Councillor Ward 7  
Diane Choinière, Councillor Ward 8  
Pierre Voisine, Chief Administrative Officer  
Monique Ouellet, Clerk  
Karine McCulloch

**ABSENT:** Carl Grimard, Councillor Ward 3

**1. Opening of the meeting**

Mayor Zanth calls the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**2. Land Acknowledgement**

Mayor Zanth reads the land acknowledgement of Indigenous territories.

**3. Moment of Reflection**

Councillor Stéphane Fournier recites the moment of reflection.

**4. Adoption of the agenda**

**RESOLUTION 2024-12**

**Moved by** Stephane Fournier

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

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted with the addition of item 12.3, being a member's resolution in regard to the Alphonse Carriere Recreation Centre.

**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 6:34 p.m. and return to the Council Chambers at 6:46 p.m.

**RESOLUTION 2024-13**

**Moved by** Samuel Cardarelli

**Seconded by** Stephane Fournier

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 January 17, 2024

6.2 Potential Land Acquisition Old Hwy 17

6.3 Potential Land Acquisition on Lacasse Road

6.4 Human Resources Matter

**CARRIED**

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**7. Resolution to resume open meeting**

**RESOLUTION 2024-14**

**Moved by** Diane Choinière

**Seconded by** Stephane Fournier

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 Diane Choinière announces that during the Bourget Winter Carnaval, there will be activities in the Natural Park Lavigne on February 25th, 2024 from 1 pm to 4 pm. For more information on the program, visit the Club Optimist Facebook page.

**10. Committee of the Whole items**

**10.1 Delegations/Presentations**

None

**10.2 Petitions and Correspondence**

**a. Letter of Support - Enhancing Operational Flood Modelling Mapping and Alerting in the South Nation River Watershed**

Mayor Mario Zanth, supported by members of Council gives the directive to staff to prepare a letter of support, as requested.

**10.3 Notice of motion**

**a. Notice of Motion presented by Councillor Trevor Stewart and seconded by Mayor Mario Zanth to petition the Province of Ontario to commit to a comprehensive social and economic prosperity review**

Councillor Trevor Stewart presents his member's motion.

#### **10.4 Committee/Staff Reports**

##### **a. Proposition to Rename Loda Park to Paul Lavoie Park**

Further to questions, Julian Lenhart confirms that the proposition to rename the park was made by the Loda Park Development Committee.

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-15**

**Moved by** Samuel Cardarelli

**Seconded by** Stephane Fournier

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that a by-law be adopted to rename Loda Park to Paul Lavoie Park, at the next regular meeting.

**CARRIED**

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

#### **12. Council Members' Items**

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

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-16**

**Moved by** Diane Choinière

**Seconded by** Mario Zanth

WHEREAS a letter dated September 20, 2023, received from Interlude House states that the Prescott-Russell Coalition to End Violence Against Women has sounded the alarm due to the increasing rate of gender-based violence and violence against women in our region; and

WHEREAS Council for the City of Clarence-Rockland recognizes that problems of violence in rural communities are serious to the health and well-being of local families;

BE IT RESOLVED that Council for the City of Clarence-Rockland hereby declare intimate partner violence and violence against women as an epidemic.

**CARRIED**

##### **12.2 Resolution proposed by Councillor Kyle Cyr and seconded by Mayor Mario Zanth regarding the 9-8-8 National suicide and crisis hotline**

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-17**

**Moved by** Kyle Cyr

**Seconded by** Mario Zanth

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.

**CARRIED**

**12.3 Resolution moved by Trevor Stewart and seconded by Mayor Mario Zanth in regard to the Alphonse Carriere Recreation Centre**

Further to questions, Jean-Luc Jubinville indicates that it is the intention of the administration to present a report to Council which would include all the options available and the associated costs to repair or replace the defective kitchen equipment at the Alphonse Carriere Recreation Centre.

**RESOLUTION 2024-18**

**Moved by** Trevor Stewart

**Seconded by** Mario Zanth

WHEREAS Hammond is a thriving community with an active volunteer base that offers activities throughout the year;

WHEREAS the Centre Recreative Alphonse Carriere is the main venue for many of these activities;

WHEREAS the center's kitchen, which is a vital source of revenue for community clubs, is in need of major repairs;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the administration prepare a report by the next council meeting, March 20, 2024, indicating the costs and work required to convert to gas and replace defective equipment in the kitchen of the Alphonse Carriere Recreation Centre.

**CARRIED**

**13. Consent Items**

**RESOLUTION 2024-19**

**Moved by** Samuel Cardarelli

**Seconded by** Stephane Fournier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following items, as identified under the consent items category on the regular meeting agenda of February 14, 2024 be adopted:

- 13.1 Adoption of the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of January 17, 2024
- 13.2 Receipt of the Clarence-Rockland Public Library Board Meetings Minutes of November 21 and December 19, 2023
- 13.3 Receipt of the January Weekly Correspondence Packages being 2024-50 to 2024-53
- 13.4 Resolution to adopt Tax Reductions under Sections 357 - 358 of the Municipal Act February 2024
- 13.5 Resolution to approve the salaries paid from December 24, 2023 to January 20, 2024
- 13.6 Resolution to approve the accounts paid from January 8 to February 4, 2024

**CARRIED**

***Text of the resolutions as adopted by consent under Resolution 2024-19***

- 13.1** ***BE IT RESOLVED THAT*** the minutes of the regular Council meeting of January 17, 2024, be adopted.
- 13.2** ***BE IT RESOLVED THAT*** the Clarence-Rockland Public Library Board Meetings Minutes of November 21 and December 19, 2023, be received.
- 13.3** ***BE IT RESOLVED THAT*** the weekly correspondence packages no. 2024-50, 2024-51, 2024-52, 2024-53, be received and filed.
- 13.4** ***BE IT RESOLVED THAT*** Council hereby adopts tax reductions in the amount of \$252.98, being the City's share, under sections 357 & 358 of the Municipal Act, against all lands concerned, as described in Schedule "A" to Report No. FIN2024-04.
- 13.5** ***BE IT RESOLVED THAT*** the salaries paid from December 24th, 2023, to January 20th, 2024, in the gross amount of \$1,135,656.09 and net amount of \$754,905.52 be adopted, as recommended.

**13.6** ***BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the accounts paid from January 8th to February 4th, 2024, in the amount of \$5,819,291.28 be adopted, as recommended.*

**14. Committee/Staff Reports**

**14.1 Cobbs Lake Creek Bridge**

Further to discussion, the item is deferred to the next regular meeting as proposed by Councillor Kyle Cyr and seconded by Councillor Stephane Fournier.

**RESOLUTION 2024-26**

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

**Seconded by** Samuel Cardarelli

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**

**14.2 Appointment of Member to represent the City of Clarence-Rockland on the Russell County Police Services Board**

**RESOLUTION 2024-27**

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

**Seconded by** André J. Lalonde

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Mayor Mario Zanth be appointed as representative for the City of Clarence-Rockland on the Russell County Police Services Board.

**CARRIED**

**15. By-laws**

**RESOLUTION 2024-28**

**Moved by** Samuel Cardarelli

**Seconded by** Stephane Fournier

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

15.1 2024-11 to appoint Lottery Licensing Officers

15.2 2024-13 to dedicate public Part 3 on plan 50R-11526 - Lavigne Road

15.3 2024-14 to appoint a Community Emergency Management Coordinator and Alternates

15.4 2024-15 to authorize a Loan Application to Infrastructure Ontario

15.5 2024-16 being a by-law for the designation of lands not subject to part-lot control, for Block 21 of Plan 50M-366

15.6 2024-17 to amend the Zoning By-law for 604 Caron

15.7 2024-18 to amend the zoning by-law for 791 Lawrence

**CARRIED**

**16. Confirmatory By-law**

**RESOLUTION 2024-36**

**Moved by** Trevor Stewart

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

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 2024-12, being a confirmatory by-law for the regular meeting of February 14, 2024, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**17. Adjournment**

Mayor Zanth adjourns the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

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Mario Zanth, Mayor

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Monique Ouellet, Clerk