



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

February 12, 2025
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
Diane Choinière, Councillor Ward 8
Pierre Voisine, Chief Administrative Officer
Monique Ouellet, Clerk
Karine McCulloch, Deputy Clerk

ABSENT: Carl Grimard, Councillor Ward 3
Trevor Stewart, Councillor Ward 7

1. Opening of the meeting

Mayor Mario Zanth calls the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

2. Land Acknowledgement

Mayor Mario Zanth reads the land acknowledgement of Indigenous territories.

3. Moment of Reflection

Mayor Mario Zanth recites the moment of reflection.

4. Adoption of the agenda

RESOLUTION 2025-11

Moved by Simon-Olivier Péladeau-Houle

Seconded by Stephane Fournier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

5. Disclosure of pecuniary interests

None

6. Closed meeting report of January 22, 2025

Mayor Mario Zanth informs members of the public that Council discussed matters in closed meeting on January 22, 2025, and that directions were given.

7. Announcements / Special Presentations

Councillor Choinière thanks the community who participated in the Bourget Carnival activities, and the volunteers of the Club Optimiste de Bourget and Parc Lavigne for the organization.

8. Committee of the Whole items

8.1 Delegations/Presentations

None

8.2 Petitions and Correspondence

None

8.3 Notice of motion

None

8.4 Committee/Staff Reports

a. Retail Business Establishment Operating Hours

Moved by Kyle Cyr

Seconded by Stephane Fournier

THAT the Committee of the Whole directs the administration to launch a public opinion survey in order to better understand if the residents and business owners would support or object to any proposed changes to the Retail Business Establishment Operating Hours in Clarence-Rockland.

CARRIED

b. Fireworks Bylaw Review

Moved by Diane Choinière

Seconded by Samuel Cardarelli

Whereas Council as adopted bylaw 2022-51, Fireworks Bylaw, to control the use and sale of consumer and display fireworks; and

Whereas the current bylaw as not been reviewed since 2022; and

Whereas the current fireworks By-law limits the use of consumer fireworks to only 4 days per year, being New Years Day, Victoria Day, St-Jean Batiste Day and Canada Day, and the sale of consumer fireworks to the 7 days preceding those days;

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the proposed changes to By-law 2022-51 be considered for approval at the next regular council meeting.

CARRIED

9. Committee of the Whole Report

Mayor Mario Zanth explains that the items discussed in Committee of the Whole will be considered at the next regular Council meeting.

10. Council Members' Items

None

11. Consent Items

RESOLUTION 2025-12

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 12, 2025, be adopted:

11.1 Adoption of the minutes of the following meetings:

- a. Council regular Meeting of January 15, 2025
- b. Council Special Electronic Closed Meeting of January 22, 2025

11.2 Receipt of the minutes of the following meetings:

- a. Planning Committee Meeting of October 30, 2024
- b. Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting of August 26, 2024
- c. Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting of October 21, 2024

11.3 Receipt of the Weekly Correspondence Packages for January 2025

11.4 Resolution to approve the salaries paid from December 22, 2024 to January 18, 2025

11.5 Resolution to approve the accounts paid from January 6 to February 3, 2025

11.6 Resolution to provide details in regard to the recognition criteria to support the City's application for the Regional Community Investment Fund to the UCPR

11.7 Resolution to amend the Municipal Grants Program Committee Terms of Reference to remove any reference to the Community Improvement Program and to the Economic Development Projects application

CARRIED

Text of the resolutions as adopted by consent under Resolution 2025-12:

11.1a. *BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting of January 15, 2025, be adopted.*

11.1b. *BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Special Closed Council meeting of January 22, 2025, be adopted.*

11.2a. *BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Planning Committee Meeting Minutes of October 30, 2024, be received.*

11.2b. *BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of August 26, 2024, be received.*

11.2c. *BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of October 21, 2024, be received.*

11.3 *BE IT RESOLVED THAT the weekly correspondence packages no. 2025-01, 2025-02, 2025-03, 2025-04 and 2025-05, be received and filed.*

11.4 *BE IT RESOLVED that the salaries paid from December 22nd, 2024, to January 18th, 2025, to the gross amount of \$1,272,327.72 and to the net amount of \$865,660.62 be adopted as recommended.*

11.5 *BE IT RESOLVED that the accounts paid from January 6th, 2025, to February 3rd, 2025, in the amount of \$3,179,909.17 be adopted as recommended.*

11.6 *Whereas Resolution No. 2025-04 was adopted by Council on January 15, 2025, in support of the application to the Regional Community Investment Fund for an amount of \$106,743,00 in order to fund the Clarence-Rockland Festival; and*

Whereas the United Counties of Prescott and Russell require that Council provide the details of the visibility that will be given to the United Counties of Prescott and Russell should the funds be approved;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT in return for the contribution of the 2025 Regional Community Investment Fund, the City of Clarence-Rockland agrees to recognize the United Counties of Prescott and Russell on the cover of the Clarence-Rockland Festival flyer that will be mailed to all homes and businesses in Clarence-Rockland and on sponsors' posters placed at key locations on the Festival site.

- 11.7** *Whereas Council created the Economic Development Advisory Committee on December 11, 2024, under Resolution 2024-140; and*

Whereas the Terms of Reference adopted, indicate that the Economic Development Advisory Committee will provide fair and equitable assessment and recommendations for all funding requests received through the Community Improvement Plan Program (CIP) in accordance with the appropriate Policy;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipal Grants Program Committee Terms of Reference be amended to remove any reference to the Community Improvement Program or any Economic Development Projects application.

12. Committee/Staff Reports

12.1 Zoning change for the 1067, 1079, 1087 and 1091 Laurier Street

Following questions, Julian Lenhart reiterated that the development did not meet the criteria for a residential zone R2, as explained in the report. The parking met the criteria for the requested zone, which was not the problem. He informed the Council that the applicant has already taken steps to apply for a change to residential zone R3, which was suggested by the administration.

Following questions, Julian Lenhart explains that the appropriate time to add a new housing concept, such as the back-to-back semi-detached, is when the Official Plan and Zoning Bylaw are updated. These will be updated in 2025. For this project, since there is already a definition that meets the needs, we don't want to make a decision without knowing the long-term impacts and doing some research.

RESOLUTION 2025-13

Moved by Samuel Cardarelli

Seconded by Stephane Fournier

WHEREAS the proposed amendment to the Zoning By-law is not in conformity with the Official Plan for the Urban Area of the City of Clarence-Rockland and is not in conformity to the Zoning by-law;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council refuse an amendment to zoning by-law 2016-10 for the 1067, 1079 and 1087-1091 Laurier Street to change the zoning category from “Urban Residential First Density Zone - General (R1)” to “Urban Residential Second Density Zone - Exception X (R2-X)”, as recommended.

CARRIED

13. By-laws

RESOLUTION 2025-14

Moved by Stephane Fournier

Seconded by Diane Choinière

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

13.1 2025-08 being a By-law for the assumption of Dion Street, Monique Street, Johanne Street and Gilberte Street within the Dion Subdivision

13.2 2025-09 being a by-law for the assumption of Diamond Street in Morris Stage 5D

13.3 2025-10 being a by-law to dedicate public the parcel described as Block 6 on Plan 50M-385

13.4 2025-11 being a By-law to amend By-law 2024-87 in order to appoint the members of the Clarence-Rockland Public Library Board

13.5 2025-12 being a By-law to amend By-law 2017-148 establishing the Emergency Management Program and appoint the Program Committee and Control Group

13.6 2025-13 being a By-law for the assumption of Du Rivage and De l'Étang Streets in the Clarence Crossing Phase 1B

13.7 2025-14 being a by-law for the designation of lands not subject to part-lot control for 384-386 Laurier Street

13.8 2025-15 being a By-law to amend the Zoning By-law for the 1220 Landry Road

13.9 2025-16 and 2025-17 being by-laws to amend the Official Plan and the zoning by-law for the 1191 St-Jean Street

13.10 2025-18 being a By-law to dedicate Public a sight triangle at the intersection of du Golf and Bouvier

13.11 2025-19 being a By-law to adopt the Clarence-Rockland Community Improvement Plan

CARRIED

14. Confirmatory By-law

RESOLUTION 2025-15

Moved by Samuel Cardarelli

Seconded by André J. Lalonde

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law no. 2025-20, being a confirmatory by-law for the regular meeting of February 12, 2025, be adopted.

CARRIED

15. Adjournment

Mayor Mario Zanth adjourns the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Mario Zanth, Mayor

Karine McCulloch, Deputy Clerk