

## **Regular Meeting of Council**

### **Minutes**

Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2020  
Time: 7:00 pm  
Location: Tecumseh Arena - Horwood Room, 1st Floor  
12021 McNorton Street  
Tecumseh, ON N8N 3C7

#### **Present:**

Mayor, Gary McNamara  
Deputy Mayor, Joe Bachetti  
Councillor, Bill Altenhof  
Councillor, Andrew Dowie  
Councillor, Brian Houston  
Councillor, Tania Jobin  
Councillor, Rick Tonial

#### **Also Present:**

Chief Administrative Officer, Margaret Misek-Evans  
Director Parks & Recreation Services, Paul Anthony  
Director Public Works & Environmental Services, Phil Bartnik  
Director Fire Services & Fire Chief, Wade Bondy  
Director Information & Communication Services, Shaun Fuerth  
Director Planning & Building Services, Brian Hillman  
Director Financial Services & Chief Financial Officer, Tom Kitsos  
Director Corporate Services & Clerk, Laura Moy  
Manager Committee & Community Services, Christina Hebert  
Manager Planning Services, Chad Jeffery  
Manager Roads & Fleet, Kirby McArdle  
Manager Strategic Initiatives, Lesley Reeves

#### **A. Roll Call**

#### **B. Order**

The Mayor calls the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

#### **C. Report out of Closed Meeting**

There was no closed meeting.

#### **D. Moment of Silence**

The Members of Council and Administration observe a moment of silence.

**E. National Anthem**

The Members of Council and Administration observe the National Anthem of Canada.

**F. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

There is no pecuniary interest declared by a Member of Council.

**G. Minutes**

**1. Regular Council Meeting - January 28, 2020**

**Motion: RCM - 30/20**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti

Seconded by Councillor Brian Houston

**That** the January 28, 2020 minutes of the Regular Council Meeting, as were duplicated and delivered to the members, **be adopted**.

Carried

**H. Supplementary Agenda Adoption**

**Motion: RCM - 31/20**

Moved by Councillor Brian Houston

Seconded by Councillor Bill Altenhof

**That** the supplementary item added to the Regular Meeting agenda regarding communication from the Essex County Federation of Agriculture, dated February 6, 2020, **be approved**.

Carried

**I. Delegations**

**1. Joe Barile, General Manager, and Kris Taylor, Director Corporate Strategy, Essex Power Corp**

Re: Essex Power Youth in Community Fund and E-Billing and Digital Transformation

Messrs. Joe Barile and Kris Taylor with Essex Power Corp advise they are celebrating the 20th year anniversary of Essex Powerlines (EPL). Mr. Barile explains how EPL has expanded beyond its original services and how it has grown. He informs the Members on EPL rates and the impact of inflation. He further informs that these rates are reasonable based on the Ontario Energy Board and Operation, Maintenance & Administration (OM&A) Provincial ranking. Details on outages and planned outages, along with the purpose are explained. The Members are also informed of planned improvements in the future including the installation of Line

Monitors, Reclosers and upgrading Wholesale Meters to reduce the impacts of Loss of Supply events.

The EPL support for youth is being continued through the Youth In Community Fund to support youth programs. Over the last 7 years to date, EPL has donated \$280,000 towards supporting youth.

Mr. Taylor notes EPL's desire to do more for the environment and support climate change initiatives. To that end, he explains how EPL will be transitioning to paperless billing and digital services. Mandated paperless services will be implemented by January 1, 2021.

Mr. Taylor entertains questions from the Members on the functionality of the electronic billing and digital transformations. The Members offer comments on the potential impact of mandating electronic billing for all of the EPL customers depending on demographics.

**Motion: RCM - 32/20**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti  
Seconded by Councillor Brian Houston

**That** Report PRS-2020-03 regarding the 2020 Essex Power Youth In Community Fund and Report FS-2020-04 Essex Powerlines Mandated Paperless Billing **be moved forward** on the agenda for consideration.

Carried

**Motion: RCM - 33/20**

Moved by Councillor Brian Houston  
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti

**That** Report PRS-2020-03 regarding the 2020 Essex Power Youth In Community Fund, **be received** for information.

Carried

**Motion: RCM - 34/20**

Moved by Councillor Brian Houston  
Seconded by Councillor Tania Jobin

**That** Essex Powerlines' Mandated Paperless Billing Initiative for Essex Powerlines Corporation (EPLC) electricity customers **be supported** by Council;

**And that** proceeds from EPLC's campaign for paperless billing be donated by EPLC to a registered non-profit organization to **be chosen** by Council at a later date.

Carried

**2. Curtis Brown, Probe Research Inc.**

Re: Findings of Customer Satisfaction Survey

The Director Information & Communication Services introduces Curtis Brown, Probe Research Inc. which conducted the 2019 Customer Satisfaction Survey. Mr. Brown presents the results of the fourth iteration of the Town's survey. Consistent with the previous surveys, the most recent survey produced a very good response. He explains the survey background and methodology. The overall citizen impression was positive. Flooding continues to be the top issue that Tecumseh residents are most concerned about, followed by infrastructure. Crime was also noted as a concern, which has not been identified in the past surveys. Satisfaction with services was at 97% for 2019 which is an excellent result.

Mr. Brown responds to inquiries from the Members regarding the responses captured in relation to traffic and parking. In response to an inquiry regarding improved communications, it was noted that residents were not always aware of the communication tools available to them. While flooding continues to be of concern, the survey is not able to capture that residents may also realize the efforts being made to address flooding in the Town. In response to a query, the Members are advised that there were no questions regarding affordable housing, development and economic development.

Overall, the Members express appreciation for the great "report card" and the efforts of Administration in delivering good quality services to residents.

**Motion: RCM - 35/20**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti  
Seconded by Councillor Brian Houston

**That** Report ICS-2020-01 2019 Citizen Satisfaction Survey Results, **be moved forward** on the Agenda for consideration and discussion.

Carried

**Motion: RCM - 36/20**

Moved by Councillor Brian Houston  
Seconded by Councillor Tania Jobin

**That** the final report from Probe Research Inc. summarizing the results of the 2019 Citizen Satisfaction Survey, **be received**

Carried

**J. Communications - For Information**

There are no Communications - For Information presented to Council.

**K. Communications - Action Required**

**1. Essex County Federation of Agriculture Letter dated February 6, 2020**

Re: Bill 156, Security from Trespass and Protecting Food Safety Act

**Motion: RCM - 37/20**

Moved by Councillor Tania Jobin

Seconded by Councillor Rick Tonial

**That** the Essex County Federation of Agriculture letter **be supported;**

**And that** The Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh **send** a letter of support for the proposed legislation, *Bill 156: Security from Trespass and Protecting Food Safety Act, 2019* to the Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.

Carried

**L. Committee Minutes**

**1. Policies & Priorities Committee Meeting - January 28, 2020**

**Motion: RCM - 38/20**

Moved by Councillor Brian Houston

Seconded by Councillor Tania Jobin

**That** the January 28, 2020 minutes of the Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting, as were duplicated and delivered to the members, **be adopted.**

Carried

**M. Reports**

**1. Financial Services**

- a. FS-2020-02 Financial Management Policy

**Motion: RCM - 39/20**

Moved by Councillor Brian Houston

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti

**That** Report No. FS-2020-02 Financial Management Policy **be received;**

**And that** the Financial Management Policy as appended to FS-2020-02 **be adopted.**

Carried

- b. FS-2020-04 Essex Powerlines Mandated Paperless Billing

This Report was moved forward on the Agenda for consideration under Delegations item I.1.

**2. Information & Communication Services**

- a. ICS-2020-01 2019 Citizen Satisfaction Survey

This Report was moved forward on the Agenda for consideration under Delegations item I.2.

**3. Parks & Recreation Services**

- a. PRS-2020-03 2020 Essex Power Youth In Community Funding

This Report was moved forward on the Agenda for consideration under Delegations item I.1.

**4. Planning & Building Services**

- a. PBS-2020-04 CIP Grant, 1222 Lesperance Road

**Motion: RCM - 40/20**

Moved by Councillor Brian Houston

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Dowie

**That** the Grant Application for the Tecumseh Road Main Street Community Improvement Plan (CIP) Financial Incentive Program, for the property located at 1222 Lesperance Road (Roll No. 374416000007400), **be deemed eligible and approved** for the Planning, Design and Architectural Grant Program in the amount of \$3,000 in relation to the preparation of drawings for the building façade and parking lot improvements proposed for the subject property, all of which is in accordance with Section 11.3 (5) of the CIP and with PBS-2020-04.

Carried

- b. PBS-2020-05 Tecumseh Transit Service, 2019 Review

**Motion: RCM - 41/20**

Moved by Councillor Bill Altenhof

Seconded by Councillor Rick Tonial

**That** Report PBS-2020-05, Annual Status Report on the Tecumseh Transit Service for 2019, **be received**.

Carried

**5. Public Works & Environmental Services**

- a. PWES-2020-05 Traffic Analysis - 2019 Radar Speed Surveys

Increased enforcement and issuance of tickets for speeding, with particular attention around parks is requested.

**Motion: RCM - 42/20**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti

Seconded by Councillor Brian Houston

**That** Report PWES-2020-05 Traffic Analysis – 2019 Radar Speed Surveys, **be received**.

Carried

- b. PWES-2020-06 Amendment to 2020-2024 PWES Five Year Capital Works Plan, St. Mark's Pumping Station - Pump Repair

**Motion: RCM - 43/20**

Moved by Councillor Brian Houston

Seconded by Councillor Bill Altenhof

**That** the St. Mark's Pumping Station – Pump Repair capital project **be added** to the 2020-2024 PWES Five Year Capital Works Plan;

**And that** the amount of \$36,433 excluding HST **be authorized and funded** out of the Storm Sewer Lifecycle Reserve.

Carried

- c. PWES-2020-07 Ontario Ministry of Transportation Authorized Requester Information Services Access to Collision Data

**Motion: RCM - 44/20**

Moved by Councillor Bill Altenhof

Seconded by Councillor Rick Tonial

**That** a by-law **be prepared** to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute an Authorized Requester Agreement for Access to Motor Vehicle Collision Data between the Ontario Ministry of Transportation and The Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh.

Carried

- d. PWES-2020-09 2020 Supply of Various Vehicles

**Motion: RCM - 45/20**

Moved by Councillor Andrew Dowie

Seconded by Councillor Tania Jobin

**That** Administration obtain quotations for the 2020 Supply of Various Vehicles as follows:

**Public Works Vehicle Estimated Price**

PW 07-11-3500 Dump Body \$65,000

PW 04-10 Single Axle Plow Truck \$275,000

**Water Vehicle Estimated Price**

W 04-12 2500 Service Truck \$60,000

WE 10-04 Trailer **previously approved** \$2,600

**Parks Vehicle Estimated Price**

P 12-09 Kubota B3030 Tractor \$35,000

P31-16 Jacobson R311T Mower \$80,000

P 22-14 Landscape Trailer \$6,000

P 23-12 Landscape Trailer \$7,500

P (32-34) -17 Kubota ZD1211 Mower (3) \$54,000

P 35-17 Kubota ZD 1211 Mower \$19,000

P 41-05 Aerator \$10,000

**Building Vehicle Estimated Price**

B 02-10 1500 Pickup Truck \$30,000



**Recreation Vehicle Estimated Price**

AE 04-98 Zamboni-**previously approved** \$110,000

M 03-20 1500 Pickup Truck-**addition to fleet** \$30,000

**And that** the following equipment **be declared** surplus and disposed of through Part VI, Disposal of Surplus or Scrap Materials and Equipment of the Town's Purchasing By-law:

**Public Works Vehicle Unit Number Year Purchased**

PW 07-11 3500 Dump Body PW 07-112011

PW 04-10 Single Axle Plow PW 04-102009

**Water Vehicle Unit Number Year Purchased**

W 04-12 2500 Service Truck W 04-122012

WE 10-04 Trailer WE 10-042004

**Parks Vehicle Unit Number Year Purchased**

P 12-09 Kubota B3030 Tractor P 12-092009

P31-16 Jacobson R311T Mower P31-162016

P 22-14 Landscape Trailer P 22-142014

P 23-12 Landscape Trailer P 23-122012

P (32-34)-17 Kubota ZD1211 Mower (3) P (32-34)-172017

P 35-17 Kubota ZD 1211 Mower P35-172017

P 41-05 Aerator P41-052004

**Recreation Vehicle Unit Number Year Purchased**

AE 04-98 Zamboni AE 04-981998

**Building Vehicle Unit Number Year Purchased**

B 02-10 B 02-102010

**And further that** Appendix 'A' Town of Tecumseh 2020 – 2029 Ten Year Fleet Funding and Replacement Schedules and Appendix 'B' Town of Tecumseh 2020 – 2029 Ten Year Fire and Rescue Services Apparatus Funding and Replacement Schedules attached to Report PWES-2020-09, **be adopted** as amended and attached;

**And furthermore that** the purchase of the 2020 Supply of Various Vehicles of \$784,100 plus associated costs for outfitting of \$13,500, for a total of \$797,600, **be funded** from the Fleet Lifecycle Reserve.

Carried

- e. PWES-2020-11 Proposed Changes to the Drainage Act

**Motion: RCM - 46/20**

Moved by Councillor Bill Altenhof

Seconded by Councillor Brian Houston

**That** Report PWES-2020-11 *Drainage Act*, Summary of Proposed Changes and Administrative Comments, **be received**;

**And that** Report PWES-2020-11 **be submitted** to the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs as comments from the Town of Tecumseh on the proposed changes to the *Drainage Act*.

Carried

**N. By-Laws**

**1. By-law 2020-11**

Being a By-law to adopt a revised Code of Conduct for Members of Tecumseh Council and Local Boards

**2. By-Law 2020-12**

A By-law to Appoint an Alternate Member to the Council of the County of Essex during an absence of the Mayor or Deputy Mayor

**3. By-Law 2020-13**

A By-law to govern the proceedings of Council and its committees/local boards, the conduct of its members and the calling of meetings

**4. By-Law 2020-14**

Being a By-law to approve a two year Pilot Program for Licensing Urban Hens

**Motion: RCM - 47/20**

Moved by Councillor Andrew Dowie

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti

**That** By-Law 2020-11 being a by-law to adopt a revised Code of Conduct for Members of Tecumseh Council and Local Boards;

**That** By-Law 2020-12 being a by-law to Appoint an Alternate Member to the Council of the County of Essex during the absence of the Mayor or Deputy Mayor;

**That** By-Law 2020-13 being a by-law to govern the proceedings of Council and its committees/local boards, the conduct of its members and the calling of meetings;

**That** By-Law 2020-14 being a by-law to approve a two-year Pilot Program for Licensing Urban Hens.

**Be given** first and second reading.

Carried

**Motion: RCM - 48/20**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti

Seconded by Councillor Brian Houston

**That** By-Law 2020-11 being a by-law to adopt a revised Code of Conduct for Members of Tecumseh Council and Local Boards;

**That** By-Law 2020-12 being a by-law to Appoint an Alternate Member to the Council of the County of Essex during the absence of the Mayor or Deputy Mayor;

**That** By-Law 2020-13 being a by-law to govern the proceedings of Council and its committees/local boards, the conduct of its members and the calling of meetings;

**That** By-Law 2020-14 being a by-law to approve a two-year Pilot Program for Licensing Urban Hens.

**Be given** third and final reading.

Carried

**O. Unfinished Business**

**1. February 11, 2020**

The Members receive the Unfinished Business listing for Tuesday, February 11, 2020.

**P. New Business**

**OPP Traffic Enforcement**

A resident who was running in the area of Arlington Boulevard and St. Gregory's Road witnessed, on three different occasions, vehicles which did not stop at the intersection and in one instance turned left on to Kensington Boulevard which is

a one-way street. Traffic enforcement by the OPP in this area is requested to monitor vehicles not abiding by the stop sign at the intersection.

### **Sidewalk Cleaning During Winter Months Policy**

A request is made for an amendment to Policy 48/03 regarding sidewalk snow removal by deleting the wording 'north side from' in reference to Riverside Drive, under Schedule A. This request is referred to the Policies & Priorities Committee.

### **McAuliffe Park**

The Members convey the vandalism in McAuliffe Park is unacceptable and it is hoped that the Parks & Recreation Services Department will be able to repair and have the area ready for spring. An inquiry is made regarding the status of identifying additional parking in the area, including roadside parking during peak soccer months. The Director Parks & Recreation Services explains that a Public Information Centre (PIC) will be held in March in order to advise residents of options to address parking overflow at McAuliffe Park and to receive feedback on those options. A report will be presented to Council summarizing the residents' feedback and offering recommendations, following the PIC.

## **Q. Motions**

### **1. Confirmatory by-law**

#### **a. By-Law 2020-15**

Being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the February 11, 2020 regular meeting of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh

#### **Motion: RCM - 49/20**

Moved by Councillor Brian Houston

Seconded by Councillor Rick Tonial

**That** By-Law 2019-15 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Tuesday, February 11, 2020, regular meeting of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh **be given** first, second, third and final reading.

Carried

## **R. Notices of Motion**

There are no notices of motion presented to Council.

**S. Next Meeting**

Tuesday, February 25, 2020

5:00 pm Special Council Meeting - New Official Plan Preliminary Review

7:00 pm Regular Council Meeting

**T. Adjournment**

**Motion: RCM - 50/20**

Moved by Councillor Bill Altenhof

Seconded by Councillor Rick Toniai

**That** there being no further business, the Tuesday, February 11, 2020 meeting of the Regular Council **be adjourned** at 8:51pm.

Carried

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Gary McNamara, Mayor

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Laura Moy, Clerk