

Policies and Priorities Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: Tuesday, August 8, 2023

Time: 3:30 pm

Location: Tecumseh Town Hall - Council Chambers
917 Lesperance Road
Tecumseh, Ontario N8N 1W9

Present: Mayor, Gary McNamara
Deputy Mayor, Joe Bachetti
Councillor, James Dorner
Councillor, Brian Houston
Councillor, Tania Jobin
Councillor, Rick Tonial

Absent: Councillor, Alicia Higgison

Also Present: Chief Administrative Officer, Margaret Misek-Evans
Director Legislative Services & Clerk, Robert Auger
Director Public Works & Engineering Services, Phil Bartnik
Director Technology & Client Services, Shaun Fuerth
Director Community & Recreation Services, Beth Gignac
Director Development Services, Brian Hillman
Director Financial Services & Chief Financial Officer, Tom Kitsos
Deputy Clerk & Manager Legislative Services, Jennifer Alexander
Manager Customer Service, Amanda Circelli
Deputy Clerk - Clerks Services & Policy Advisor, Christina Hebert
Director People & Culture, Michelle Drouillard

A. Roll Call

B. Call to Order

The Mayor calls the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.

C. Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that we are on land and surrounded by water, originally inhabited by Indigenous Peoples who have travelled this area since time immemorial. This territory is within the lands honoured by the Wampum Treaties; agreements between the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, Lenni Lenape and allied Nations to peacefully share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes.

Specifically, we would like to acknowledge the presence of the Three Fires Confederacy Ojibwe, Odawa, Potawatomi and Huron/Wendat Peoples. We are dedicated to honouring Indigenous history and culture while remaining committed to moving forward respectfully with all First Nations, Inuit and Métis.

D. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

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

E. Delegations

1. New Procedural By-Law Ten Minute Workshop

The Director provides a brief overview of the new Council meeting agenda with the revisions approved in the Procedural By-Law.

Motion: PPC - 07/23

Moved By Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti
Seconded By Councillor Brian Houston

That the changes proposed in the Procedural By-law regarding Delegations and Council Agendas **be adopted**.

Carried

F. Communications

There are no Communication items presented to the Committee.

G. Reports

1. LCS-2023-21 Council Staff Relations Policy

Motion: PPC - 08/23

Moved By Councillor Brian Houston
Seconded By Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti

That Report LCS-2023-21 entitled "Council-Staff Relations Policy" **be received**;

And that the Council - Staff Relations Policy as appended to the LCS-2023-21 Report in Attachment 1 be recommended by the Policies and Priorities Committee for **approval and adoption** at the September 12, 2023, regular meeting of Council;

And further that the Clerk **be authorized** to make minor updates to the Council - Staff Relations Policy to remain compliant with other Town Policies and legislative amendments.

Carried

2. LCS-2023-20 Revision to Committee Application and Appointments Policy No. 4

Motion: PPC - 09/23

Moved By Councillor Rick Tonial
Seconded By Councillor Brian Houston

That Report LCS-2023-20 entitled "Revisions to Committee Application and Appointments Policy No. 4" **be received;**

And that the revisions to Policy No. 4, as outlined in Attachment 1 of Report LCS-202320," **be approved.**

Carried

3. LCS-2023-24 Town of Tecumseh Sale of Surplus Land Policy

Motion: PPC - 10/23

Moved By Councillor James Dörner
Seconded By Councillor Brian Houston

That Report LCS-2023-24 entitled "Town of Tecumseh Sale of Surplus Land Policy" **be received;**

And that the new Town of Tecumseh Sale of Surplus Land Policy in Attachment 1 be recommended by the **for approval and adoption** at the September 12, 2023, regular meeting of Council.

And that if Council approves and adopts the new Town of Tecumseh Sale of Surplus Land Policy that By-law 2003-09 be recommended for repeal by Council.

Carried

4. LCS-2023-25 Alley Closing and Sale Policy

Motion: PPC - 11/23

Moved By Councillor Rick Tonial
Seconded By Councillor Tania Jobin

That Report LCS-2023-25 Town of Tecumseh Alley Closing and Sale Policy **be received** and be recommended for approval and adoption at the September 12, 2023, regular meeting of Council.

And that the further recommends that Council **give approval** to the fees proposed in the Report by way of amendment to the Town's Fees and Charges By-law.

Carried

5. TCS-2023-04 Social Media Policy

Get Christina to review the policies for formatting before next meeting.

Motion: PPC - 12/23

Moved By Councillor James Dorner

Seconded By Councillor Rick Tonial

That Report TCS-2023-04 entitled "Town of Tecumseh Social Media Policy" **be received**.

And that Attachment 1 to Report TCS-2023-04, Policy 80 – Social Media Policy, be recommended by the Policies and Priorities Committee for **approval and adoption** at the September 12, 2023, regular meeting of Council.

Carried

H. Unfinished Business

There are no Unfinished business items presented to the Committee.

I. New Business

Resident Emails

An inquiry is raised on the circulating resident emails and copying all Members of Council with a response. The Clerk advised on the proper protocol for resident emails.

J. Next Meeting

The next committee meeting will be at the call of the Chair.

K. Adjournment

Motion: PPC - 13/23

Moved By Councillor Brian Houston
Seconded By Councillor Tania Jobin

That there being no further business, the Tuesday, August 8, 2023 meeting of the Policies and Priorities Committee **be adjourned** at 4:38 pm.

Carried

Gary McNamara, Mayor

Robert Auger, Clerk