

The Corporation of the Township of Brock

Council Minutes

Municipal Administration Building

Session Twenty Eight

Monday, August 12, 2019

The Twenty-Eighth Meeting of the Council of the Township of Brock, in the Regional Municipality of Durham, was held on Monday, August 12, 2019, in the Municipal Administration Building Council Chamber.

Members present: Mayor: Debbie Bath-Hadden
Regional Councillor: W.E. Ted Smith
Councillors: Michael Jubb
Claire Doble
Walter Schummer
Cria Pettingill
Lynn Campbell

Staff Members present: Clerk Becky Jamieson
(recording the minutes)
Acting Deputy Clerk Deena Hunt
Fire Chief Rick Harrison
Treasurer Laura Barta

1. Call to Order

Mayor Bath-Hadden called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

2. Moment of Meditation / Personal Reflection

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

Councillor Michael Jubb declared a pecuniary interest with respect to the Fire Department matter to be discussed within the Closed Session (3a).

4. Confirmation of Minutes

None

5. Hearing of Deputations

None

6. Petitions

None

7. Communications Submitted to Council

Group One – Receive and File

None

8. Reports of Committees

None

9. Motions

None

10. Consideration of By-laws

None

11. General Items and Enquiries

(1) Mayor Debbie Bath-Hadden – Report to Council

None

(2) Regional Councillor W.E. Ted Smith – Report to Council

None

Councillor Jubb left the meeting at 4:37 p.m.

(3) Closed Session

Resolution Number 1-28

MOVED by W.E. Ted Smith and SECONDED by Michael Jubb that Council move in camera at 4:37 p.m. pursuant to Section 239(2)(f) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, to discuss advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, related to an outstanding fire matter; and pursuant to Section 239(2)(b) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, to discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual, regarding outstanding receivables.

MOTION CARRIED

a) Fire Department Matter

To discuss advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, related to an outstanding fire matter, pursuant to Section 239(2)(f) of the Municipal Act, 2001.

Councillor Jubb rejoined the meeting at 4:58 p.m.

b) Financial Matter

To discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual, regarding outstanding receivables, pursuant to Section 239(2)(b) of the Municipal Act, 2001.

Resolution Number 2-28

MOVED BY Cria Pettingill and SECONDED by Lynn Campbell that we rise from in camera at 5:55 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution Number 3-28

MOVED BY W.E. Ted Smith and SECONDED by Claire Doble that, as per the matter that was subject to solicitor-client privilege regarding a fire department matter as discussed in the closed session, be it resolved that the offer that was received be denied.

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Jubb refrained from discussing and voting on Resolution Number 3-28.

(4) Committee of the Whole and Procedural By-law Overview

The Clerk provided a presentation with respect to the Committee of the Whole (COW) Structure noting that the following sub-committees would fall under COW:

- Finance
- Public Works, Facilities and Parks
- Planning & Economic Development
- Tourism, Heritage & Recreation
- Protection Services
- Corporate Services

The Clerk advised that all members of Council sit on COW, consider the majority of municipal business, receive deputations, and make recommendations to Council. She noted that moving forward, the intent of Council meetings is to ratify recommendations from COW (making them official), pass by-laws, and receive deputations as approved by the Clerk. This would result in fewer agendas and minutes and incorporate the use of 'notice of motions'. She noted that the 'consent agenda' of each sub-committee would contain all routine correspondences which are to be received and filed with no opportunity for discussion during that meeting. A member of Council can pull a communication from the consent agenda if they wish to discuss it.

Council members requested that the section for Public Questions and Clarifications remain on the agenda.

The Clerk advised that staff would ensure that the necessary reports would accompany any communications requiring them prior to the communication being placed on the agenda for COW or Council. She advised that a 'notice of motion' should be forwarded to the Clerk's Department ten days prior to the meeting where it would be considered and that notices of motion proposed within a meeting of Council would be debated at the next Council meeting. She advised that the notice of motion provides time for public awareness of upcoming issues. She advised that the by-law readings would be condensed and could include multiple matters and noted that an increasing amount of correspondence will be related through the Council Information Index.

The Clerk advised that correspondence deemed urgent by the Clerk could be referred to an addendum agenda which would be sent on the Friday prior to the Council meeting and noted that the revised Procedural By-law would come to Council on September 9, 2019.

(5) Public Questions and Clarifications

There were no public questions for clarification.

12. Confirmation By-law

None

13. Adjournment

Resolution Number 4-28

MOVED by Claire Doble and SECONDED by Michael Jubb that we do now adjourn at 6:30 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

MAYOR

CLERK