The Corporation of the Township of Brock

Council Minutes

Electronically

Session Thirteen

Monday, December 14, 2020

The Thirteenth Meeting of the Council of the Township of Brock, in the Regional Municipality of Durham, was held on Monday, December 14, 2020, electronically.

Members present:	Regional Councillor: Councillors:		W.E. Ted Smith Michael Jubb Claire Doble Walter Schummer Cria Pettingill Lynn Campbell
Members absent:	Mayor		Debbie Bath-Hadden (loa)
Staff Members present:		Municipal Clerk Becky Jamieson (recording the minutes) Deputy Clerk Deena Hunt CAO Dean Hustwick Treasurer Laura Barta Director of Public Works Paul Lagrandeur Fire Chief Rick Harrison Chief Building Official Richard Ferguson	

1. Call to Order and Moment of Silence

Deputy Mayor W.E. Ted Smith called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and Nature Thereof

Deputy Mayor Smith declared a pecuniary interest with respect to motion 2) Agreement with the District Historical Society as he is a member of the Sunderland Historical Society.

3. Announcements from Council and Staff

Deputy Mayor Smith congratulated the Santa Claus Parade organizers.

4. Presentations

None

5. Hearing of Delegations and/or Petitions

(1) Durham Region Regional Chair, John Henry – Update to Brock Council

Regional Chair John Henry, Region of Durham, expressed appreciation for the efforts of Council and staff in 2020. He advised that the Region's key accomplishments for Brock include the Durham Region On Demand Transit Service, the anticipated expansion of broadband in the north, the proposed Beaverton supportive housing project, and the North Durham community hub project. He provided a Regional update via video presentation which included Durham Region's 2020 Momentum Report. In closing, he advised that December 14 to December 20, 2020, was been declared as 'Shop in Durham Week'.

Councillors enquired as to extra policing for Brock to address issues, the timeline for municipal services to the Beaverton employment lands, home energy retrofit plan, electric vehicle charging stations, and the process for delivering better broadband to North Durham. Regional Chair Henry advised that, while policing is managed through the Durham Region Police Services Board, he believes more officers would be hired. He advised that Beaverton's employment lands are currently undergoing an Environmental Assessment, and the information for the retrofit plan is available on the Durham Region website. He advised that an electric vehicle charging station is allocated for Beaverton (at Lakeview Manor) noting that locations could be reviewed as funding is received and partnerships formed. He advised that, while the Region is not responsible for providing broadband in Durham Region, their application for Phase 1 of ICON funding was successful and Regional staff are preparing a Phase 2 ICON application. He noted the difficulties of obtaining a major internet provider for North Durham and advised that a more concerted effort is needed by the Federal government to provide improved connectivity.

Councillors enquired as to a formal approach for requesting increased police services in Brock to which Regional Chair Henry advised that members could reach out to the Acting Chief of Police for DRPS.

Regional Chair Henry extended Merry Christmas greetings and asked that people consider helping those in need, especially given the challenges of the pandemic.

The Deputy Mayor expressed appreciation for the presentation, for the Regional support to Brock, and for the assistance that the Regional Clerk provided to Brock in the past year.

6. Consent Agenda

Resolution Number 1-13

MOVED by <u>Walter Schummer</u> and SECONDED by <u>Lynn Campbell</u> that the items listed in Section 6, Consent Agenda be approved save and except communication numbers 1695, 1682, and 1683.

MOTION CARRIED

(a) Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meetings

(1) 24th Special Council meeting – November 23, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.

Resolution Number 2-13

That the minutes of the 24th Special Council meeting as held on November 23, 2020, at 1:30 p.m. be approved.

(2) 24th Special Council meeting - In Camera Session – November 23, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.

Resolution Number 3-13

That the minutes of the In Camera session of the 24th Special Council meeting as held on November 23, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. be approved.

(3) 25th Special Council meeting – November 23, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

Resolution Number 4-13

That the minutes of the 25th Special Council meeting as held on November 23, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. be approved.

(4) 25th Special Council meeting - In Camera Session – November 23, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

Resolution Number 5-13

That the minutes of the In Camera session of the 25th Special Council meeting as held on November 23, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. be approved.

(5) 12th Council meeting – November 23, 2020

Resolution Number 6-13

That the minutes of the 12th Council meeting as held on November 23, 2020, be approved.

(6) 12th Council meeting - In Camera Session – November 23, 2020

Resolution Number 7-13

That the minutes of the In Camera session of the 12th Council meeting as held on November 23, 2020, be approved.

(7) 23rd Special Council meeting – November 30, 2020

Resolution Number 8-13

That the minutes of the 23rd Special Council meeting as held on November 30, 2020, be approved.

(b) Reports

(c) Correspondence

1687 Township of Uxbridge – Letter to Premier of Ontario re: "Control-Red" COVID-19 Restrictions in Durham Region

Resolution Number 9-13

That Communication Number 1687 be received for information and filed.

(d) Reports of Committees

(1) 12th Committee of the Whole Meeting – December 7, 2020

Resolution Number 10-13

That the minutes of the 12th Committee of the Whole meeting as held on December 7, 2020, be approved.

(e) Motions

(1) That the Deputy Mayor and Clerk be, and they are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Justin Kouba, O/A Beaver River Bait

Resolution Number 11-13

THAT the Deputy Mayor and Clerk be, and they are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Justin Kouba, O/A Beaver River Bait.

(2) That the Deputy Mayor and Clerk be, and they are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the District Historical Society and the Township of Brock

Resolution Number 12-13

THAT the Deputy Mayor and Clerk be, and they are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the District Historical Society and the Township of Brock.

(3) That the Deputy Mayor and Clerk be, and they are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with William Vieveen, O/A Floyd Hales Fish Huts

Resolution Number 13-13

THAT the Deputy Mayor and Clerk be, and they are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with William Vieveen, O/A Floyd Hales Fish Huts.

(4) That the Deputy Mayor and Clerk be, and they are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Mitchell's Fish Huts

Resolution Number 14-13

THAT the Deputy Mayor and Clerk be, and they are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Mitchell's Fish Huts.

(5) Transfer to Reserves

Resolution Number 15-13

That the Treasurer be authorized to transfer any surplus created by internal equipment rental in 2020 to the Works Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement of equipment in future years; and,

That the Treasurer be authorized to transfer 2020 budgeted and unspent funds for the following projects to the Committed Projects Reserve or held as committed in Reserve funds for use in 2020:

CAO Consulting - Pay Equity Review Financing Cannington Curling Club Building - Roof Rehabilitation Sunderland Museum – Window Replacement Sunderland Town Hall - Refurbishment of Exterior Doors & South Window Frame Restoration Bridge Rehabilitation **Culvert Design** Municipal Drain Clean Out Lakeshore Road Erosion Control Project Thorah Works Yard – Upgrades and Improvements **Beaverton Ball Park - Lighting Upgrades** MacLeod/Clair Hardy Park – Accessible Playground & Public Bathroom Upgrades Foster Hewitt Memorial Community Centre - upgrades Rick MacLeish Memorial Community Centre - upgrades Sunderland Memorial Arena Project Wilfrid Hall - Beam Repair Main Street Revitalization Project **Green Initiatives**

(f) By-Laws

(1) <u>By-Law Number 2985-2020</u> – being a by-law under the provisions of Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, to amend Zoning By-law Number 287-78-PL, as otherwise amended, of the Corporation of the Township of Brock, with respect to certain land located within Part South ½ Lot 9 Concession 1 (Thorah), in the Township of Brock, Region of Durham.

Resolution Number 16-13

That By-law Number 2985-2020 being a by-law under the provisions of Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, to amend Zoning By-law Number 287-78-PL, as otherwise amended, of the Corporation of the Township of Brock, with respect to certain land located within Part South ½ Lot 9 Concession 1 (Thorah), in the Township of Brock, Region of Durham, be read a first, second and third time and passed in open Council. The Deputy Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign the by-law on behalf of the municipality and to have same engrossed in the by-law book.

7. Items Extracted from Consent Agenda

1695

Dean Hustwick – Report: 2020-CO-61, 2021 Council Procedural Improvements – Phase 1

Resolution Number 17-13

MOVED by <u>Walter Schummer</u> and SECONDED by <u>Claire Doble</u> THAT Report: 2020-CO-61, 2021 Council Procedural Improvements – Phase 1 be received for information; and, That the 2021 Council/Committee Schedule as contained in Appendix A be approved with proposed amendments; and, That staff be directed to amend the procedural by-law accordingly to incorporate the recommended changes as contained within this report and agreed upon by Council.

Councillors requested clarification to which the CAO advised that the recently identified Council Strategic Priorities have influenced these changes and further recommendations would be proposed.

The CAO provided an overview of the proposed changes which include holding in camera sessions prior to the meeting, combining the statutory meetings with the Planning and Economic Development meetings, and changing the start times of the meetings.

Councillors expressed support for the changes, and concerns for the change to Council start time and reduction of Committee of the Whole meetings.

Councillor Jubb requested a friendly amendment to include that Council meetings start at 6:00 p.m. to which Councillor Schummer and Doble agreed.

There was discussion with respect to viewership and public engagement.

The Clerk advised that this proposed schedule could be trialed until June 2021 and the amended Procedural By-law would come to Council in January 2021.

Councillors expressed concern for the removal of the Other Business section within each committee section of the Committee of the Whole agenda to which the CAO advised that items must be formally added to the agenda to provide due notice to the public and committee members. The CAO advised that Committee Chairs would have an opportunity to meet with department heads prior to the meetings.

Resolution Number 17-13

MOVED by <u>Walter Schummer</u> and SECONDED by <u>Claire Doble</u> THAT Report: 2020-CO-61, 2021 Council Procedural Improvements – Phase 1 be received for information; and, That the 2021 Council/Committee Schedule as contained in Appendix A be approved with proposed amendments; and, That staff be directed to amend the procedural by-law accordingly to incorporate the recommended changes as contained within this report and agreed upon by Council, and that Council meetings start at 6:00 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Smith requested a recorded vote.

Recorded Vote

<u>Yeas</u>

<u>Nays</u>

Claire Doble Michael Jubb Walter Schummer Lynn Campbell Cria Pettingill W.E. Ted Smith

MOTION LOST

Resolution Number 18-13

MOVED by <u>Cria Pettingill</u> and SECONDED by <u>Lynn Campbell</u> THAT Report: 2020-CO-61, 2021 Council Procedural Improvements – Phase 1 be received for

information; and, That the 2021 Council/Committee Schedule as contained in Appendix A be approved; and, That staff be directed to amend the procedural bylaw accordingly to incorporate the recommended changes as contained within this report.

Deputy Mayor Smith requested a recorded vote.

Recorded Vote

Yeas

<u>Nays</u>

Lynn Campbell Cria Pettingill W.E. Ted Smith Claire Doble Michael Jubb Walter Schummer

MOTION LOST

Resolution Number 19-13

MOVED by <u>Michael Jubb</u> and SECONDED by <u>Walter Schummer</u> THAT Report: 2020-CO-61, 2021 Council Procedural Improvements – Phase 1 be received for information; and, That the 2021 Council/Committee Schedule as contained in Appendix A be approved with proposed amendments; and, That staff be directed to amend the procedural by-law accordingly to incorporate the recommended changes as contained within this report and agreed upon by Council, and that Council meetings start at 5:00 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Smith requested a recorded vote.

Recorded Vote

<u>Yeas</u>

<u>Nays</u>

Claire Doble

Lynn Campbell Michael Jubb Cria Pettingill Walter Schummer W.E. Ted Smith

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution Number 20-13

MOVED by Lynn Campbell and SECONDED by <u>Walter Schummer</u> that Council break for a recess at 8:08 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Deputy Mayor Smith reconvened the meeting at 8:16 p.m. with the same members of Council and staff in attendance.

1682 Becky Jamieson, Memorandum – Devil's Fitness – Rental of Cannington Curling Club

Councillors enquired as to not permitting the use of the former ice pad and were advised that the previous Facilities Coordinator expressed health and safety concerns for using the ice pad for this purpose. The Clerk advised that the building usage would be reviewed by staff upon the appointment of a new Facilities Coordinator.

Councillors enquired whether the tenant was made aware of the Municipal Act restrictions (rent request) and were advised in the affirmative. The Clerk advised that the Government of Canada offers an Emergency Rent Subsidy program which has been communicated to all municipal facility tenants.

Resolution Number 21-13

MOVED by <u>Walter Schummer</u> and SECONDED by <u>Cria Pettingill</u> THAT Council approve the request from Devil's Fitness to renew their lease agreement for a one-year term from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 at a monthly rate of \$1,500 per month and that request to use to ice pad floor be denied. Further, that the Deputy Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign a lease agreement with Devil's Fitness for the use of the Cannington Curling Club on behalf of the Township of Brock.

MOTION CARRIED

1683 Xplornet Communications Inc. ("Xplornet") – ICON Program – Request for Municipal Letter of Support

Councillors expressed concern for taxpayer dollars supporting private businesses for internet connection which could be unaffordable for some residents.

The CAO advised that two businesses were previously supported by Council in this regard, this company intends to upgrade the fibre optic network to communication towers, some fibre optic would be delivered to homes, and the focus area is Gamebridge with a potential improvement for 1,000 households.

Resolution Number 22-13

MOVED by <u>Walter Schummer</u> and SECONDED by <u>Cria Pettingill</u> THAT Communication Number 1683 be received for information; and that Council have no objection to the request contained therein; and, further, that staff prepare a letter of support for Xplornet's application to the Improving Connectivity in Ontario (ICON) program.

MOTION CARRIED

8. Notices of Motions

None

9. Other Business

(1) COVID-19 Update

The CAO advised that Durham Region remains in red control category, York Region is in lockdown, and the anticipated vaccinations would be distributed through the Durham Region Health Unit. He advised that staff posted a notice on the Township website with respect to the satellite covid assessment locations in Manilla, Beaverton and Sunderland.

The Fire Chief advised that there were no issues with respect to the recent Santa Claus Parades or the Nourish and Develop Foundation event on Saturday.

10. Public Questions and Clarification

None

11. Closed Session

There was no closed session. The following resolutions were a result of the earlier December 14, 2020 Special Council meeting.

Resolution Number 23-13

MOVED by <u>Walter Schummer</u> and SECONDED by <u>Cria Pettingill</u> that Council receive the legal advice given by the Township Solicitor in closed session that the proposal for a women's shelter at 124 Laidlaw Street South is not prohibited by Interim Control By-law No. 2994-2020 enacted by Council at its meeting of November 23, 2020 and is permitted as a Crisis Care Residence in the R1 Zone.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution Number 24-13

MOVED by <u>Cria Pettingill</u> and SECONDED by <u>Lynn Campbell</u> that Council direct staff to develop application criteria for any potential requests for exemptions to the Interim Control By-law, and that the deadline for applications to be submitted be March 1, 2021; and further, that staff be directed to make the application criteria and process available to the public through various means including our website.

MOTION CARRIED

12. Confirmation By-law

<u>By-law Number 2999-2020</u> – to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brock at its meeting held on December 14, 2020

Resolution Number 25-13

MOVED by <u>Walter Schummer</u> and SECONDED by <u>Claire Doble</u> that By-law Number 2999-2020, to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brock at its meeting held on December 14, 2020, be read three times and passed in open Council. The Deputy Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign the by-law on behalf of the municipality and to have same engrossed in the by-law book.

MOTION CARRIED

13. Adjournment

Resolution Number 26-13

MOVED by Lynn Campbell and SECONDED by Michael Jubb that we do now adjourn at 8:41 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

DEPUTY MAYOR

CLERK