



**CORPORATION OF THE
CITY OF CLARENCE-ROCKLAND
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES**

February 22, 2017
Council Chambers
415 rue Lemay Street, Clarence Creek, Ont.

PRESENT: Guy Desjardins, Mayor
Jean-Marc Lalonde, Councillor Ward 1
Mario Zanth, Councillor Ward 2
Carl Grimard, Councillor Ward 3
André J. Lalonde, Councillor Ward 5
Krysta Simard, Councillor Ward 6
Helen Collier, Chief Administrative Officer
Monique Ouellet, Clerk

ABSENT: Michel Levert, Councillor Ward 7
Diane Choinière, Councillor Ward 8

1. Opening of the meeting

Mayor Desjardins calls the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

2. Adoption of the agenda

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-25

Moved by Mario Zanth

Seconded by Jean-Marc Lalonde

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3. Disclosure of pecuniary interests

Councillor Carl Grimard declares a pecuniary interest to item 9.10 as he is the owner of a building on Laurier Street.

4. Delegations / Presentations

4.1 Presentation by Mr. Michel Jubinville in regards to a heritage tour project

Mr. Michel Jubinville, after giving a few historical facts about the region, explains how the 'Société historique Saint-Pascal-Baylon', became involved with the Heritage Tour Project that was initiated by the members of the Clarence-Rockland Heritage Advisory Committee. Mr. Jubinville explains that the Heritage Tour Committee was established under the 'Société historique Saint-Pascal-Baylon' in order to develop the project.

Mr. Jubinville presents an overview of the goals and objectives as well as the work plan for the Heritage Tour Project.

Mr. Jubinville concludes by thanking the City of Clarence-Rockland for the support granted towards this project.

Councillor Jean-Marc Lalonde adds that the Committee needs Council to grant them permission to add the City of Clarence-Rockland's logo on all publications relating to the Heritage Tour Project. Mayor Desjardins gives direction to the Clerk to prepare a resolution for consideration at the next regular Council meeting.

5. Petitions / Correspondence

5.1 Petition filed by Mr. Joe Gonsalves in regards to the condition of Labelle Road

Mr. Joe Gonsalves and Mr. Michel Gratton present the petition.

Further to questions, Mr. Dave Darch explains that the condition of Labelle Road is definitely in poor condition. He explains that the issue is that Labelle Road is quite lengthy and expensive to repair, and therefore was not recommended within the limited budget envelope that was presented to Council. Mr. Darch adds that within the operational budget, some work could be done; at a minimum the gravel portion could be done if Council is supportive.

Mayor Desjardins requests that a report be prepared to outline a proposed work plan for Labelle Road for Council's consideration.

5.2 Petition filed by Mr. Joe Gonsalves in regards to natural gas

The petition was received and filed.

6. Notice of Motion

Mayor Desjardins advises that he will be bringing a resolution to extend Councillor Diane Choinière's leave of absence to August 31st, 2017 for Council's consideration at the next regular meeting.

7. Comment/Question Period

Mr. Stéphane Lalonde expresses his concerns in regards to the waste collection report being presented under 9.10, and states that he prefers option 2.

8. Report from the United Counties of Prescott and Russell

Mayor Desjardins explains that the region continues to experience problems with the availability of ambulances and that the Counties is continuing its efforts to put pressure on the provincial government to address the problem.

9. Committee/Staff Reports

9.1 Purchase of an emergency vehicle for the Fire Chief

Further to questions, Mr. Brian Wilson explains that the Deputy-Chief needs a vehicle to respond to calls.

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-26

Moved by Mario Zanth

Seconded by Carl Grimard

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council approve the purchase of a new SUV-style vehicle, to be outfitted and equipped as an emergency vehicle, for use by the Fire Chief for a total amount not to exceed \$25,000 to be funded from the Tax Stabilization Reserve.

CARRIED, as modified

9.2 Purchase of fire hoses to meet the operating needs

Further to questions, Mr. Brian Wilson explains what process is utilized to dry and to inspect the hoses.

Further to questions, Mr. Brian Wilson explains that he is trying to address the needs of the department through the budget process; however, this identified deficiency needs to be addressed immediately.

Further to questions, Mr. Robert Kehoe gives an overview of the status of the Tax Stabilization Reserve.

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-27

Moved by Krysta Simard

Seconded by Carl Grimard

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council approve the purchase of sufficient fire hoses and racks to support operational needs, not to

exceed \$40,000 and that this expense be funded from the Tax Stabilization reserve.

CARRIED

9.3 Bell Canada – Long Distances within the City of Clarence-Rockland

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-28

Moved by Jean-Marc Lalonde

Seconded by Mario Zanth

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council not pursue any further the interest of eliminating Bell Canada long distances within the City of Clarence-Rockland because it is cost prohibitive.

DEFERRED

9.4 Insurance Policy Renewal

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-29

Moved by Jean-Marc Lalonde

Seconded by Carl Grimard

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council accepts the renewal proposal from Frank Cowan Company in the amount of \$276,094 for the annual policy period beginning December 31, 2016; and

THAT the Committee of the Whole further recommends that Council delegate to the Director of Finance, the authority to negotiate on behalf of the City, the 2018 renewal, subject to the premium increase being no greater than 5%.

CARRIED

9.5 Rodrigue Street Storm Extension

Further to questions, Mrs. Helen Collier explains that the City has discussed with Bytown on several occasions, however, the City cannot hold them responsible for a portion of the cost. Mrs. Collier further explains that the legal opinion obtained states that the City does not have any legal recourse.

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-30

Moved by Krysta Simard

Seconded by Jean-Marc Lalonde

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council approves a by-law to authorize the execution of the contract with STP Excavation and Construction Inc. for the Rodrigue Storm Sewer Extension project in the amount of \$287,472 (excluding HST); and

THAT it be further recommended that Council endorses the cost-sharing agreement as detailed Report No. INF2017-014; and

THAT it be finally recommended that the City's share of this project be increased by \$45,000, funded by the Gas Tax allocation.

CARRIED

9.6 Construction of service lateral extensions - 1887 Laurier Street

Further to questions, Mr. Dave Darch confirms that Mr. Beaulne is in agreement with the recommendation.

Further to questions, Mr. Dave Darch explains that there was an existing agreement with Mr. Beaulne and the purpose of the recommendation is to honour that agreement.

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-31

Moved by Carl Grimard

Seconded by Mario Zanth

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council approves that the construction of the service lateral extensions by the City at 1887 Laurier Street be funded equally from the Sanitary Sewer and Water Reserve Funds; and

THAT the Committee of the Whole further recommends that Council approves the execution of a cost repayment agreement with Rann Enterprises Inc. and Mr. Roger Beaulne to recover costs associated with the installation of the sanitary sewer and water main laterals for a development at 1887 Laurier Street; and

THAT the said agreement shall also address the payment of applicable Development Charges and permits.

CARRIED

9.7 Tax Reduction Under Section 357 & 358 of the Municipal Act

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-32

Moved by Jean-Marc Lalonde

Seconded by Krysta Simard

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council approves the tax reductions, in accordance with Sections 357 and 358 of the Municipal Act in the amount of \$11,846.68, as detailed in Schedule "A" to Report No. FIN2017-04.

CARRIED

9.8 Landfill site reconfiguration project

Further to questions, Mr. Dave Darch explains how the tender came out that much higher than the estimated budget amount.

Further to comments, Mrs. Helen Collier explains that the intention is to repay this expense through the collection of fees.

Further to questions, Mr. Denis Longpré confirms that there have been delays in implementing this project and that it should be operational before the end of the year if Council approves the recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-33

Moved by Krysta Simard

Seconded by Carl Grimard

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council endorse the modified road design as recommended in Report No. INF2017-017; and

THAT the Committee of the Whole Council further recommends that Council approves additional funding for this project in the amount of \$148,000, to be funded from the waste management Reserve.

CARRIED

9.9 Removal of the holding symbol – LODA Development Ltd.

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-34

Moved by Mario Zanth

Seconded by Carl Grimard

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council approves a by-law to amend the Zoning By-law No. 2016-10, in order to remove the Holding Zone (h) symbol and change the zoning category of the lot described as Part of Lots 29 and 30 Concession 1 (O.S), from "Urban Residential First Density – exception 25 – holding (R1-25-h) Zone" to "Urban Residential First Density – Exception 25 (R1-25) Zone" and from "Parks and Open Space – holding (OS-h) Zone" to "Parks and Open Space (OS) Zone".

9.10 Industrial, Commercial and Institutional (IC&I) Waste Collection

Further to a declared pecuniary interest, Councillor Carl Grimard leaves the Council Chambers.

Mr. Dave Darch explains the various options with the help of a PowerPoint presentation.

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-35

Moved by Krysta Simard

Seconded by Mario Zanth

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council endorse Option 1, Status Quo – Modified, as identified in Report No. INF2017-012, at a rate of \$194 for residential and \$702 for commercial; and

THAT staff be directed to enter into negotiations with Tomlinson Environmental Services to discuss the feasibility and financial implications of implementing all options identified in Report No. INF2017-012; and

THAT no additional commercial properties be added to the current garbage collection; and

THAT staff be directed to prepare a report for consideration by the Committee of the Whole in preparation of the 2018 budget process.

CARRIED, as modified

9.11 Leaf & Yard Waste Collection

Further to questions, Mrs. Helen Collier explains that the contract was based on an estimate amount of tonnage and this estimated amount was not reached. Mr. Dave Darch explains that the estimated amount of tonnage included in the tender was based on data from Waste Diversion Ontario.

Further to questions, Mrs. Helen Collier confirms that the cost to operate the transfer station was \$75,000 which is the same cost of maintaining the contract with Tomlinson.

Mayor Desjardins requests that staff enquire if there would be a cost to terminate the existing contract for the collection of leaf and yard waste.

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-36

Moved by Mario Zanth

Seconded by Krysta Simard

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council modifies the contract with Tomlinson Environmental Services (TES) as recommended in Report No. INF2017-018; and

THAT the Committee of the Whole further recommends that Council approves that Tomlinson Environmental Services be compensated \$50,315 + tax for leaf and yard collection the year 2016; and

THAT the Chief Administrative Officer be instructed to find out how much it would cost the City to terminate the existing contract with Tomlinson Environmental Services; and

THAT the Committee of the Whole finally recommends that Council approves that the transfer station remains open one day a week.

CARRIED, as modified

10. Other items

10.2 Monthly Reports

Councillor Mario Zanth asks who is responsible to clear the fire hydrants and raises the fact that a fire hydrant has not been cleared at the intersection of Caron & Laurier.

Councillor Mario Zanth raises the fact that some snow banks are preventing pedestrian to push the button to initiate the light signal change at some intersections.

Councillor Krysta Simard raises the fact that some business owners received a fine for not renewing their business licence; however, they never received the original invoice.

Councillor Carl Grimard commends the staff on the successful snow removal activities.

Councillor Jean-Marc Lalonde raises the fact that perhaps the City should enter into a contract to clear snow from fire hydrants.

10.1 2016 Annual Ontario Provincial Police Statistics Report

RECOMMENDATION COW2017-37

Moved by Carl Grimard

Seconded by Mario Zanth

THAT Report No. PRO2017-003 in regards to the 2016 annual OPP statistics be received as information.

CARRIED

11. Adjournment

The Mayor adjourns the meeting at 10:55 p.m.



Guy Desjardins, Mayor



Monique Ouellet, Clerk

