

Council Meeting - Minutes of the Meeting

November 9, 2021 6:30pm

Via WebEx Virtual Meetings

Attendance

In attendance

Don Clarke, Mayor

Chair

Councilors

Deputy Mayor Ty Walsh

Mike Trinacty

Rod Reeves (excused early)

Chris Goddard

Adam Lutz

Derrick Jamieson

Mike Payne, CAO

Karen Peckford, Director of Finance

Chantal Pineo, Executive Coordinator

1. Call to Order

The Council Meeting was called to order at 6:31pm.

2. Approval of Previous Minutes

The previous Council Minutes were approved as circulated.

3. Approval of Agenda

The Agenda was approved as circulated, with the following addition:

- Update on Spicer Park

4. First Reading: Logie Rezoning, Maple Avenue

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Council give first reading and approve the rezoning of PID 55543987 from R1 to R2.

MOTION CARRIED

5. New Business:

a. Community Consultation Guidelines

Discussion ensued with regard to the guidelines applying to any major project in the Town.

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

That Council approves the Community Consultation Guidelines drafted 2021Nov09 that will inform the consultation process for the Town's infrastructure/initiatives/projects.

MOTION CARRIED

b. Letter of Financial Guarantee Regarding Community Solar Garden Procurement

This letter had been processed through the AREA team. Contractual/legal formality when entering into certain contracts.

Mr. Payne will see that a copy of the letter is sent to Council for their information.

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Council authorizes the Mayor and CAO to sign a letter on behalf of the Town that the Town unconditionally guarantees the payment obligations of the Alternative Resource Energy Authority due to LG Electronics re the Community solar garden.

MOTION CARRIED

c. In Person Council Meetings and Public Attendance

Due to the current situation of increased number of cases, this will be deferred to November COTW.

d. Deputy Mayor Election

Councillor Rod Reeves nominated Councillor Mike Trinacty as Deputy Mayor for the 2021-2022 term. Deputy Mayor Walsh seconded the nomination.

Mayor Clarke asked twice if there were any further nominations. There were none.

Councillor Mike Trinacty accepted the Deputy Mayor appointment for 2021-22.

Councillor Walsh thanked Council and staff for a positive experience having served as Deputy Mayor for the last two years.

e. Downtown Audio System

It is the hope that the Town will have Christmas music playing through the commercial district this coming Christmas season! This was a very popular initiative in the past and many residents have requested the return of same for the last several years.

IT WAS MOVED and seconded

THAT

Council directs staff to contract Hannatech to establish a downtown audio-system.

MOTION CARRIED

6. Correspondence

Council reviewed Mr. Lohr's approval for the Kings Region municipalities to act as one entity for Emergency Management.

7. In Camera Session (Contractual/Legal)

The regular Council meeting entered into an In-Camera Session at 7:19pm and returned to regular Council at 7:44pm.

8. Mayor's Update

Mayor Clarke highlighted his numerous activities during the last two weeks and reminded Council of the following dates:

Sports Hall of Fame – November 13

BEC – November 16

Police Advisory – November 16

Community Development Meeting – November 17

Task Force Meeting – November 18

COTW – November 23

Mayor Clarke received Council's blessing to have three gentlemen recognized at the official opening of the new tennis courts in 2022.

The joint diversity committee is looking for membership from the Town. Discussion ensued with regard to seeking a town citizen to sit on the committee.

9. Spicer Park Update

Councillor Walsh and Deputy Mayor Trinacty gave an update on the Spicer Park Public Engagement Sessions held last week. The two sessions had some public attend. Received some useful feedback from citizens.

Among other topics the following points were discussed:

Suggestions of the park being for toddlers (up to five years of age)

Request for more signage.

Parking on Cottage Street

Accessibility discussions

Highlight tape on crosswalk signs in the area

Mr. Payne indicated that Public Works will be adding the reflective tape to the signs in the area. As well, more signage has been done, but there has been an error in the print. This is being corrected.

10. Adjournment – Council adjourned at 8:17pm.