



**Minutes of Council Meeting  
October 12, 2021  
6:30 PM  
Electronic Participation – Via Zoom**

**Council and Staff Attendance**

**Council Members Present:**

Mayor Walter Stack  
County Councillor Dan Lynch  
Councillor Ted Strike  
Councillor Lynn Grinstead  
Councillor Tom Burnette  
Councillor Chris Toner  
Councillor Lisa McGee

**Council Members Absent:**

**Town Staff Present:**

Robin Paquette, CAO  
Maureen Spratt, Town Clerk  
Kaila Zamojski, Deputy Clerk  
Jennifer Morawiec, General Manager,  
Client Services/ Treasurer

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Walter Stack called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 6:30 PM and welcomed those present.

**2. Roll Call**

The roll was called, with all Members of Council being present.

**3. Land Acknowledgement Statement**

Mayor Walter Stack asked everyone to take a moment to acknowledge and show respect for the Indigenous Peoples as traditional stewards of the land we operate on, by stating:

I would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we work and gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Anishinaabe People. This Algonquin Nation have lived on this land for thousands of years, long before the arrival of the European settlers, and we are grateful to have the opportunity to be present in this territory.

**4. Adoption of Agenda**

Resolution Number 356-21

Moved by Lisa McGee

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

**Be It Resolved That** the agenda, for the Regular Meeting of Council dated Tuesday, October 12, 2021, be adopted.

Resolution Carried

**5. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest**

None

**6. Question Period**

Mayor Walter Stack thanked Deputy Mayor Chris Toner for chairing the last Council Meeting, while he was away.

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## 7. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

Resolution Number 357-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Tom Burnette

**That** the minutes of the Regular and Special Meetings of Council listed under item number 7 (a) and (b) on the Agenda be adopted (Regular Meeting of Council – September 27, 2021; Special Meeting of Council – October 1, 2021).

Resolution Carried

## 8. Awards/Delegations/Presentations

### a) Presentation of Youth and Volunteer of the Year Awards

#### i. Youth of the Year – Jack and Laura Couper

Mayor Walter Stack provided background information on Jack and Laura Couper, noting their efforts in creating ear savers for masks for frontline workers, and donating their creation to hospitals, schools, and businesses. Jack and Laura Couper were presented with the 2021 Town of Arnprior Youth of the Year award at Town Hall in Council Chambers, earlier today. Mayor Walter Stack and Members of Council congratulated Jack and Laura, and thanked them for their contributions to the community.

Both Jack and Laura showed Members of Council their ear saver creation and thanked them for the award.

#### ii. Volunteer of the Year – Pat Tait

Mayor Walter Stack provided background information on Pat Tait, noting her continued outstanding efforts with the Arnprior & District Food Bank. Pat Tait was presented with the 2021 Volunteer of the Year Award at Town Hall in Council Chambers, earlier today. Mayor Walter Stack and Members of Council congratulated Pat Tait, and thanked her for her continued efforts in keeping the Arnprior & District Food Bank open for residents in need in our community.

Pat Tait thanked Members of Council for the award, noting being at the food bank is tough but rewarding work, and she is relieved to say that the Food Bank in Arnprior did not close during the last 14 months. She further noted that this is because of the number of dedicated volunteers, and that she would be sharing this award with them, and the many supporters of the Food Bank in our community.

### b) Presentation of Years of Service – Arnprior Fire Department

Mayor Walter Stack and Members of Council congratulated the following six (6) members of the Arnprior Fire Department on their Provincial Long Service Awards (years of service) and thanked them for their continued contribution to the health and safety of our community:

- i. Blaine Carr – 45 Years
- ii. Barry Burnette – 30 Years
- iii. Rick Desarmia – 25 Years
- iv. Jim Herbert – 25 Years
- v. Robert Philips – 25 Years
- vi. Steve Styles – 25 Years

A photo slideshow was shown on the screen, depicting the formal presentation of these service awards, which was held at the Fire Hall.

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## 9. Public Meeting

None

## 10. Matter Tabled/ Deferred/ Unfinished Business

None

## 11. Staff Reports

### a) Zoning By-law Amendment 5/21 – Phase 3&4 Marshalls Bay Meadows Subdivision - CAO

Resolution Number 358-21

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

**That** Council pass a resolution in support of the extension to the Draft Plan of Subdivision Approval for the Marshall's Bay Meadows Subdivision (47-T-14002) and forward to the County of Renfrew for consideration of approval.

**That** Council receives an application for amendment to Zoning By-law 6875-18 for the lands known as Phases 3 and 4, Marshall's Bay Meadows Subdivision, the zone designation to permit land uses associated with a Draft Plan of Subdivision, as detailed in this report; and

**That** pursuant to Section 34(12) of the Planning Act, Council hold a public meeting on Monday, November 8th, 2021, regarding the proposed amendment, to allow for public review and comment.

Resolution Carried

### b) Proclamation – Local Government Week – Deputy Clerk

Resolution Number 359-21

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Lisa McGee

**That** Council proclaim October 18-24, 2021 as Local Government Week in the Town of Arnprior.

Resolution Carried

The Deputy Clerk read the proclamation:

**Whereas** the week of October 18-24, 2021 will be celebrated in Ontario as Local Government Week; and

**Whereas** the municipal level of government performs the functions that significantly impact the day to day life of citizens throughout the world; and

**Whereas** the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO), the Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) acknowledge and celebrate the significant role that municipal governments play in helping to define the character, priorities, physical make up and quality of life of communities across Ontario; and

**Whereas** the Town of Arnprior will be holding a Local Government Week contest, that asks students in grades 1, 5, and 10 "What does it mean to be a good citizen?" Students will be asked to submit a drawing, photo, video, or short essay answering this question. Prizes will be given out to the top three submissions.

**Now Therefore**, I, Walter Stack, Mayor of the Town of Arnprior, Do Hereby Proclaim October 18-24, 2021 as Local Government Week in the Town of Arnprior.

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### c) Proclamation – Waste Reduction Week – Deputy Clerk

Resolution Number 360-21

Moved by Tom Burnette

Seconded by Chris Toner

**That** Council proclaim October 18-24, 2021 as Waste Reduction Week in the Town of Arnprior.

Resolution Carried

The Deputy Clerk read the proclamation:

**Whereas** the week of October 18-24, 2021 is Waste Reduction Week in Canada; and

**Whereas** Waste Reduction Week is a national environmental campaign that builds awareness around issues of sustainable and responsible consumption, encourages choice for more environmentally responsible products/services, and promotes actions that divert more waste from disposal and conserves natural resources; and

**Whereas** as a municipality we are committed to waste reduction, resource conservation, and community education for sustainable living; and

**Whereas** we realize that losing waste to disposal and as litter are local and global threats to the environment; and

**Whereas** we as a municipality will take action to reduce our waste and support the circular economy.

**Now Therefore**, I, Walter Stack, Mayor of the Town of Arnprior, Do Hereby Proclaim October 18-24, 2021 as Waste Reduction Week in the Town of Arnprior and urge residents to choose more environmentally responsible products/services and divert more waste from disposal and conserve natural resources.

### d) Proclamation – Ontario Public Library Week – Deputy Clerk

Resolution Number 361-21

Moved by Lisa McGee

Seconded by Dan Lynch

**That** Council proclaim October 17-23, 2021 as Ontario Public Library Week in the Town of Arnprior.

Resolution Carried

The Deputy Clerk read the proclamation:

**Whereas** October 17-23, 2021 is being celebrated across the province as Ontario Public Library Week; and

**Whereas** during this week, libraries and library partners raise awareness of the valuable role libraries play in our lives; and

**Whereas** the Arnprior Public Library serves as a center for lifelong learning and plays a vital role in helping citizens of all ages access the information and tools that they need to live, learn and work; and

**Whereas** the board, staff and volunteers of the Arnprior Public Library provide a vital service to our community; and

**Whereas** this year the theme for Ontario Public Library Week is “One Card, One Million Possibilities; and

**Whereas** in a world undergoing constant change, public libraries provide enduring connections to the past and future of our communities, nations and civilizations.

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**Now Therefore**, I, Walter Stack, Mayor of the Town of Arnprior, Do Hereby Proclaim October 17-23, 2021 as Ontario Public Library Week in the Town of Arnprior and encourage residents to show their support for their public library, not just this week, but all year long, and utilize the services they have to offer.

### **e) Proclamation – Small Business Week – Deputy Clerk**

Resolution Number 362-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Chris Toner

**That** Council proclaim October 17-23, 2021 as Small Business Week in the Town of Arnprior.

Resolution Carried

The Deputy Clerk read the proclamation:

**Whereas** Small Business Week has been recognized since 1981 as an opportunity to celebrate the small business owners who provide essential services, local jobs, and an invaluable touchpoint in our communities.

**And Whereas** the Business Development Bank of Canada organizes Small Business Week in Canada to pay tribute to Canadian entrepreneurs;

**And whereas** this year's theme is resiliency. This theme celebrates the hardworking Canadian entrepreneurs who have shown their courage and adaptability in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**And Whereas** the Town of Arnprior recognizes the importance of small businesses to the growth and development of our Town and County.

**Now Therefore**, I, Walter Stack, Mayor of the Town of Arnprior, Do Hereby Proclaim October 17-23, 2021 as Small Business Week in the Town of Arnprior and encourage Arnprior residents to shop and support their local small businesses.

## **12. Committee Reports and Minutes**

Resolution Number 363-21

Moved by Ted Strike

Seconded by Chris Toner

That Council receive the following Committee Minutes as information:

- Corporate Services Advisory Committee Minutes – May 3, 2021
- Operations Advisory Committee Minutes – May 17, 2021

Resolution Carried

## **13. Notice of Motions**

None

## **14. County Councillor's Report from County Council**

County Councillor Lynch noted the following information from the County of Renfrew:

- The County's Truth & Reconciliation Garden is progressing nicely and could be finished by end November.
- Nominations for Warden are being accepted. The present day Warden, Debbie Robinson has indicated she will run again.
- Delegation –Renfrew County Community Futures Development – Board Chair, Mr. Ray Bonenberg, provided an overview of activities during COVID. Highlights included:

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- Business can apply for a 300K loan with a 10 year pay back
- To date they have loaned out \$41,882,607.00
- 4614 jobs created\maintained
- 7.1% of jobs were in Arnprior
- Delegation – Local Immigration Partnership – Jodi Bucholtz provided a presentation. Highlights included:
  - Through Algonquin College
  - Making a pitch to newcomers to come to Renfrew County (agriculture, etc)
  - “Team” which would include the nationality of the newcomer to Welcome families
  - Welcome Wagon
- 2022 Ontario Winter Games are having issues with schools\transportation. In the end of October, a decision is to be made.
- Jan17\18, 2022 County Budget Work Shop Levy to be set at 2.5%.
- EORN – County GIG submission was not accepted in its entirety, will be piecemealed, and monitored by our team led by Jennifer Murphy.
- For persons using the Algonquin Trail, the CN Line near Pembroke will be barricaded (closed) on November 1, 2021.
- Provincial Capital projects that have been or are in approval stages in Arnprior including:
  - Conseil des écoles catholiques due Centre-Est, a new school build, that will contain a licenced childcare centre, and has an expected completion date of September 2022. Projected for 49 licenced care spaces (10 infant, 15 toddler, and 24 preschool).
  - As well, plans have been submitted for a new licensed childcare with the existing St John XXIII with an unknown completion date.
- Attendance at four meetings, Algonquin Trail, Operations and Development & Property and County Council.

Mayor Walter Stack asked County Councillor Lynch if he could request a recorded vote at the County Council Meeting, on the topic of the Cost Sharing Policy in regards to growth of lower tiers. County Councillor Lynch noted this final policy is scheduled to come back to County Council in February 2022, and that he would make note to request the recorded vote.

### 15. Correspondence & Petitions

#### a) Correspondence Package – I-21-OCT-17

Resolution Number 364-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Dan Lynch

**That** the Correspondence Package Number I-21-OCT-17 be received as information and filed accordingly.

Resolution Carried

County Councillor Dan Lynch noted the following items:

- Page 9 - By November 15th, Long Term Care Home Residents will be more protected as COVID 19 vaccinations will be mandatory for all in home staff, support workers, students, and volunteers.
- Page 21 - The Province is strengthening commitment to Athlete Safety on Rowan's Law Day by investing 125K to create a safer environment for athletes to play sports. Rowan Day is in honour of Rowan Stringer, a 17-year-old Ottawa Rugby player who died from a condition known as Second Impact Syndrome.

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- Page 44 – The Township of North Algona Wilberforce has opened up their new municipal office.
- Page 45 - The President of the Renfrew County ATV Club, Teresa Hebb, has released a notice that the CN B Trail has been sold to private property developers. Due to the Muskrat River, there are no detours. This closure will affect riders in all directions.
- Page 51 - The County of Renfrew is now accepting nominations for the “Warden’s Community Service Award”. The deadline for submission is November 5, 2021.

### 15. By-laws/Resolutions

#### a) By-laws

None

#### b) Resolutions

Resolution Number 365-21

Moved by Ted Strike

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

**Whereas** Council approved the recommendation for the plan of subdivision proposed by T. Anas Holding Inc. in September of 2014 and indicated to the approval authority, the County of Renfrew, that the proposed draft plan of subdivision was not premature, that it met the intent of the Provincial Policy Statements and requesting the conditions of draft approval as outlined in the staff report; and

**Whereas** draft approval was given by the County of Renfrew on August 5, 2015, with revised conditions issued on December 11, 2018, which will lapse on December 11, 2021 if not granted an extension by the County of Renfrew before the lapsing date; and

**Whereas** the applicant has requested that Council provide a resolution in support of a request for extension, as the development is proceeding in a phased approach with Phases 1 and 2 registered, and the developer actively working on finalizing Phases 3, 4 and 5.

**Therefore, Be It Resolved That** Council supports the request by Madawaska Regional Inc. for a one-year extension to the draft approval of the Marshall’s Bay Meadows Draft Plan of Subdivision (47-T-14002) and that this resolution be forwarded to the County of Renfrew for consideration of approval.

Resolution Carried

### 16. Announcements

Mayor Walter Stack

- Congratulations again to Arnprior Regional Health, as the newly renovated Grove Nursing Home is now open. I attended this grand opening, and this location is going to be great for the Town of Arnprior.
- Small Business Week is October 18-24, and the Chamber of Commerce will be holding a Fall Fest downtown, where Thursday, October 21, 2021 will be late night shopping until 8pm in downtown Arnprior. Saturday, there will be vendors and music entertainment downtown as well.
- I would like to recognize Darrel O’Shaughnessy, and congratulate him on behalf of Council on being the recipient of the Ontario Senior Achievement Award. Thank you for all of your efforts in the Town of Arnprior.
- Renfrew County District Health Unit’s Dr. Robert Cushman has been recognized as a Community Builder of the Year through United Way. Congratulations, on behalf of Council.

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- I was privileged to be asked to attend the Russell Bannock presentation at the Arnprior Airport. This was a fantastic presentation, dedicated to a person who has historical significance in Arnprior. Mayor Stack noted that he has information and photos of the presentation that he will provide to the Archives and Museum for their records. Mayor Stack also provided some historical information on Mr. Bannock, and noted this presentation was very interesting and well put together.
  - Councillor Ted Strike noted that Dwayne Price took a lot of time and effort to putting this presentation and event together, and it was very well done and very well received.

County Councillor Dan Lynch made the following announcements:

- If you enjoy Octoberfest food, on October 14<sup>th</sup> the Galilee Centre is offering a luncheon that will include Vegetable Borscht Soup, Smoked Sausage and Sauerkraut, Perogies, along with Fruit Crisp and Ice Cream. Seating is limited so call for a reservation.
- Our Town is “Safe” thanks to Mayor Stack and staff completing the Emergency Planning Exercise held last Thursday. Unofficial reports from Loomex indicate that the Town did well in the exercise.
- Last Sunday morning, Russell Mackay, of Beachburg, better known as “Papa”, who is 83 years old, toured our town, completing a 5 km walk that raised money for Hospice Renfrew.

Councillor Chris Toner made the following announcement:

- October 6, 2021 was the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event for the Arnprior Optimist Club. Both the Club and Brad McKay were presented with certificates of recognition. The Arnprior Optimist Club for their 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Brad McKay for his service with the club and continued recruitment efforts.

### 17. Media Questions

None

### 18. Closed Session

None

### 19. Confirmatory By-Law

Resolution Number 366-21

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Tom Burnette

**That** By-law No. 7221-21 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held on October 12, 2021 be and it is hereby enacted and passed.

Resolution Carried

### 20. Adjournment

Resolution Number 367-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Lisa McGee

**That** this meeting of Council be adjourned at 7:19 pm.

Resolution Carried

Walter Stack, Mayor

Maureen Spratt, Town Clerk