



**Minutes of Council Meeting  
November 8, 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 Chris Toner  
Councillor Lisa McGee

**Council Members Absent:**

Councillor Tom Burnette

**Town Staff Present:**

Robin Paquette, CAO  
Maureen Spratt, Town Clerk  
Jennifer Morawiec, General Manager,  
Client Services/ Treasurer  
Graeme Ivory, Director of Recreation  
John Steckly, GM, Operations  
Patrick Foley, Engineering Officer

**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 except Councillor Tom Burnette.

**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 388-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Lisa McGee

**Be It Resolved That** the agenda, for the Regular Meeting of Council dated Monday, October 25, 2021 be adopted.

Resolution Carried

**5. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest**

None

**6. Question Period**

None

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

Resolution Number 389-21

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Dan Lynch

**That** the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council listed under item number 7 (a) on the Agenda be adopted (Regular Meeting of Council –October 25, 2021).

Resolution Carried

### **8. Awards/Delegations/Presentations**

None

### **9. Public Meetings**

**a)** Zoning By-law Amendment 5/21 Phases 3 and 4, Marshall's Bay Meadows Subdivision

Resolution Number 390-21 (6:33 pm)

Moved by Ted Strike

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

That Council move into a public meetings regarding a proposed Zoning By-law Amendment 5/21 for phases 3 and 4 of the Marshall's Bay Meadows Subdivision.

Resolution Carried

Mayor Stack called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm, welcomed those present and the CAO noted requirements for oral or written submissions prior to adoption of the amendments and the draft plan of subdivision for the purposes of the Ontario Land Tribunal requirements.

Staff advised that no written comments were received prior to the meeting.

The purpose of the proposed amendment is to amend the zone designations to permit the land uses associated with Phases 3 and 4 of the Draft Plan of Subdivision (47-T-14002). The requested zoning include:

- Residential Three (R3) to allow for single detached dwellings;
- Residential Three – Exception X (R3\*X) zoning to allow for semi-detached residential uses with an exception to the requirement of Section 6.4.3g) of the By-law which requires that individual driveways accessing the two semi-detached dwellings be paired;
- Residential Four – Exception 28 (R4\*28) zoning to allow for townhouse dwellings with a minimum interior side yard of 1.2m;
- Residential Four – Exception (R4\*29) zoning to allow for back-to-back street-town homes or apartment dwellings with a maximum building height of 15.5m; and
- Open Space (OS) zoning to allow for the location of a stormwater management plan.

The floor was opened to the public for comments. No public spoke to the application.

The Applicant, Adam Thompson provided clarification on the unpaired driveways, noting this has been requested to assist with better grading of the properties, as there is a steeper grade overall to the properties in question.

The public meeting was declared closed at 6:41 p.m.

Resolution Number 391-21(6:41 pm)

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

That Council resume to the Regular Meeting of Council.

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## 10. Matter Tabled/ Deferred/ Unfinished Business

None

## 11. Staff Reports

### a) Private Road Official Plan Policy - CAO

Resolution Number 392-21

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

**That** Council initiate a town-wide Official Plan Amendment, being OPA#4, and implementing Zoning By-law Amendment to establish Common Element Condominium Private Road policies and provisions.

**And Further That** pursuant to Sections 17(15) and 34(12) of the Planning Act Council hold a public meeting on Monday, December 13, 2021, regarding the proposed amendments, to allow for public review and comment.

Resolution Carried

Forbes Symon of JP2G Consultants provided an overview of the report and responded to questions.

### b) Municipal Marina Operations Analysis, Director of Recreation

Resolution Number 393-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Chris Toner

**That** Council direct staff to bring forward an amendment to the Recreation Facility Use Policy to implement a 60% resident use of marina slips; and

**That** during the 2022 budget process, that the annual update to the User Fees and Charges By-Law include an increase in the marina rental rates for non-residents by 40%.

Resolution Amended

Resolution Number 394-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Chris Toner

**That** Council amend Resolution Number 393-21 to add a paragraph three (3) and four (4):

**That** McNab/Braeside marina slip renters from a previous year, will be given opportunity to renew their slips within the seasonal renewal period and be charged the non-resident rate; and

**That** pier 6 will remain as a transient slip for visitors.

At the request of County Councillor Lynch a recorded vote was taken:

Councillor Lisa McGee	Yes
Councillor Chris Toner	Yes
Councillor Lynn Grinstead	Yes
Councillor Ted Strike	Yes
County Councillor Dan Lynch	No
Mayor Walter Stack	Yes

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Resolution Number 395-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Chris Toner

**That** Council direct staff to bring forward an amendment to the Recreation Facility Use Policy to implement a 60% resident use of marina slips; and

**That** during the 2022 budget process, that the annual update to the User Fees and Charges By-Law include an increase in the marina rental rates for non-residents by 40%; and

**That** McNab/Braeside marina slip renters from a previous year, will be given opportunity to renew their slips within the seasonal renewal period and be charged the non-resident rate; and

**That** pier 6 will remain as a transient slip for visitors.

Resolution Carried as Amended.

### c) National Earthquake Early Warning System – Engineering Officer

Resolution Number 396-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Dan Lynch

**That** Council receive staff report Number 21-11-08-03 outlining the proposed lease of space in the Stanley Tourangeau Fire Hall for National Earthquake Early Warning System equipment; and

**That** Council adopt a bylaw authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to enter into a lease agreement with Natural Resources Canada.

Resolution Carried

### d) Debt Management Policy – GMCS, Treasurer

Resolution Number 397-21

Moved by Lisa McGee

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

**That** Council authorize a By-law adopting a Debt Management Policy.

Resolution Carried

## 12. Committee Reports and Minutes

Resolution Number 398-21

Moved by Lisa McGee

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

That Council receive the following Committee Minutes as information:

- Corporate Services Advisory Committee Minutes – September 7, 2021

Resolution Carried

Councillor Lynn Grinstead noted that the Inclusivity & Diversity Advisory Committee (IDAC) discussed raising flags to reflect and memorialize the veterans on Remembrance Day. The IDAC was in favour of raising the flags this week and lowering them on Thursday, November 11, 2021 and then keeping the flags lowered until consultation with the Algonquin's of Pikwakanagan First Nation takes place.

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Discussion ensued among Members of Council with Mayor Stack asking for consensus that Council approve raising the Town flags on Tuesday, November 9, 2021 and lowering the flags again on Remembrance Day. Council further agreed by consensus that the flags would be kept lowered until the Mayor had consulted with Chief Jocko.

### 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:

- Delegation – Long Term Development at Deep River and District Hospital, Ms. Janna Hotson, President and CEO and David Cox, Chair of the Long Term Committee, attended the County Council meeting to advise Council of the progress they have made in creating a new Long Term Care Facility that will house 96 beds (modelled after the Grove). It's a \$28 million project that is hoped to be completed in 2-3 years.
- Delegation – Ms. Lacey Rose, our County Forester, reported on the health of the County trees which is rated as fair. The Gypsy Moth has infested 13,000 hectares in the County and 146,000 in the Province. Lacey has recommended to the province that the Black Ash not be put on the endangered species. The most underrated infestation is the Beech Bark which is brought into the forestry by the general public when they visit (hikers).
- The County has contracted The Perry Group Consulting Ltd. to complete an Information Technology Digital Strategy for the County and will be meeting with Municipal Elected Officials for their input.
- The County has passed a Vaccination Policy similar to that of the Town of Arnprior. There will be an amendment that deals with the penalty if a County Councillor does not meet the requirements set out in the policy.
- The Ontario Winter Games is being hosted by the County and is going to take place.
- The United Way bestowed its top honour, the Community Builder of the Year Award to the region's Medical Officers of Health and their respective health care practices during COVID-19 – Dr. Robert Cushman, and Renfrew County and District Health Unit, Dr. Vera Etches, and Ottawa Public Health Dr. Paul Roumeliotis and the Eastern Ontario Health Unit, and Dr. Paula Stewart and the Leeds, Grenville, and Lanark District Health Unit.
- The EORN (Eastern Ontario Regional Network) is having some setbacks, as a new Director is to be elected and the current CAO has resigned. As well, there is a new Federal Minister of Rural Economic Development; the Honourable Gudie Hutchings.
- The ROMA 2022: "Rural Opportunities" conference will run from Sunday, January 23rd to Tuesday, January 25th. The main conference will be on the Monday and Tuesday, but there could be zone meetings and other activities on the Sunday. Early registration fee before 01 Nov is \$400.00 and \$450.00 after. Of note is that Eli El-Chantiry is now the First Vice Chair, Zone 8 and Councillor City of Ottawa
- The ROMA sponsored Teeny Tiny Summits are back with three dates and compelling topics. Join these free virtual events December 1, 2021 and on March 22, 2022. Presenters include Tareq Hadhad, Peace by Chocolate; the resurgence of teeny, tiny communities with Peter Kenyon, Bank of Ideas; and ROMA Chair, Robin Jones, who will discuss the key elements and recommendations out of the ROMA paper: "Opportunities for Rural Ontario in a Post-Covid World".

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- Of note “The Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program” (ICIP) comes with a clause that Indigenous Groups must be consulted. In the case of the Algonquin Trail ICIP Grant the cost of consultation with the Pikwakanagan of Golden Lake is \$19,624.63. Roughly 20% of the Grant.
- Great news for Algonquin Trail Users, on October 19<sup>th</sup> the City of Pembroke approved motorized usage on the Algonquin Trail within the City’s jurisdiction.
- Housing Market Stats 2020 were presented noting that housing value continues to climb with the average price for a home being \$404,638 2021 - \$526,963. Of note to date the County has 719 building permits compared to 391 in 2020.
- CNL is having an Virtual Open House from November 15 – 30, 2021 on a Small Modular Reactor made by Global First Power. There is a Town Hall meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 16, 2021. You can participate by calling 1-877-229-8493, Code 120533. I’ve sent the invitation to staff to put on our web page.
- Today was the last day for the Operations and Development Property Committee meetings for this year with new committee’s being formed at the County Council meeting in December.

### 15. Correspondence & Petitions

#### a) Correspondence Package – I-21-NOV-19

Resolution Number 399-21

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Chris Toner

**That** the Correspondence Package Number I-21-NOV-19 be received as information and filed accordingly.

Resolution Carried

Councillor Lynn Grinstead noted item number 10(a) and requested that the Festival of Trees request from CPAN for 2021 be brought out of the information package for consideration of Council. Councillor Grinstead noted she felt the Town should contribute \$3,000 to support this organization and initiative. Councillor Grinstead further requested Council consider supporting this initiative annually.

Discussion ensued among Members of Council, with Mayor Stack asking for Council consensus that staff send the CPAN Representative a Municipal Grant Application Form, and bring back a report at a future meeting, once the application was received.

County Councillor Dan Lynch noted the following items:

- Page 5 – Ontario Government will introduce legislation that if passed would raise the minimum wage to \$15.00 effective January 1, 2022. Of note, if you don’t have a job you might think of becoming a Hunting or Fishing Guide. The rate of pay for these trades are \$75.00 for under 5 consecutive hours and \$150.05 an hour for working 5 or more hours during a day.
- Page 7 – Effective November 1, 2021, the Ontario Government has mandated that all regulated Ontario electricity and natural gas utilities to provide “Green Button” to the customers within 24 months. The “Green Button” will permit users to better manage their utilities.
- Page 14 – Good news for Apple product users, you can now choose to add the official Province COVID-19 Vaccination QR Code to your Apple Wallet.

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- Page 26 – As a Veteran, I commend the Ontario Government for introducing legislation that would amend the Remembrance Day Week Act to permit workers the right to wear poppies at their workplace.
- Page 30 – Ontario is extending the temporary wage enhancement with an additional \$373 million for Personal Health Care Workers until March 31, 2022.
- Page 40 – Beginning November 5, 2021 persons 70 and over can register to get a COVID-19 vaccine booster.
- Page 67 – AMO has released 5 fact sheets to help municipalities navigate the new Conservation Authorities Act. In response to County Councillor Dan Lynch the CAO noted that staff have reviewed the fact sheets on the Conservation Authorities Act and the simple answer is there will be no impact to Arnprior as we are not within the jurisdiction of any Conservation Authority.
- Page 72 – As previously reported the 2022 Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund for Arnprior is \$1,588,800 which equates to \$369 per household.
- Page 76 – If your natural gas provider is Enbridge, be advised, April 1, 2022, that they have applied to increase their rates to recover cost associated with Greenhouse Gas Pollution.

Councillor Chris Toner noted the following items:

- Item Number 1(e) – Ontario is helping more people with Developmental Disabilities access housing as well as helping their families and caregivers navigate housing initiatives in communities across the province. The province is making a \$13 million dollar investment into this important initiative.
- Item Number 1 (d) – Ontario is supporting Indigenous focused Mental Health and Addictions supports, for Indigenous Communities. Funding includes urgent trauma supports for Indigenous residential school survivors. The province has noted they will be investing more than \$36 million in community lead mental health and addiction supports.

### **b) Correspondence Package – A-21-NOV-11**

Resolution Number 400-21

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

**That** the Correspondence Package Number A-21-NOV-11 be received and that the recommendations outlined be brought forward for Council's consideration.

Resolution Carried

Resolution Number 401-21

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

**That** Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior receive the Municipal Grant Policy Application from the Arnprior Optimistic Women's Club; and

**Whereas** the Arnprior Optimistic Women's Club is an eligible community organization under the Municipal Grants Policy.

**Therefore Be It Resolved That** Council supports the Arnprior Women's Club, by providing in-kind support of waiving the fees for 2- hours of Nick Smith Centre Arena Ice Rental (value of approximately \$260.00), for the date of Sunday, December 12, 2021 from 2:00-2:45 pm and 3:00-3:45 pm, for a Free Skate for Families, with on ice entertainment, free gifts for each child, and a licenced raffle for parents; and

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**Further That** the Arnprior Optimistic Women's Club be advised that it is mandatory to carry sufficient liability insurance and have the Town of Arnprior added as an additional insured for the event; and

**Further That** the Arnprior Optimistic Women's Club be advised that the Nick Smith Centre will determine event capacity based on the public health regulations at the time; and

**Further That** it is mandatory to follow all COVID-19 public health guidelines, including but not limited to proof of vaccination being required for all participants 12 years of age and older, social distancing, and masking where distancing is not possible.

Resolution Carried

Resolution Number 402-21

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

**That** Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior receive the correspondence from CUPE; and

**Therefore Be It Resolved That** Council of the Town of Arnprior is calling for an immediate, comprehensive and independent third-party expert review of OMERS' investment performance and practices over the past ten years, conducted by the OMERS Pension Plan's sponsors and stakeholders; and

**Further That** such a review would, at minimum:

- a. Compare OMERS plan-level, and asset class-level performance to other comparable defined benefit pension plans and funds, OMERS internal benchmarks, and market-based benchmarks.
- b. Examine OMERS decision-making processes around the timing of various investment decisions.
- c. Assess the risk management policies and protocols that were in place and determine if they were followed and/or if they were sufficient to protect the plan from undue risk.
- d. Assess whether the disclosures provided to the OMERS Administrative and Sponsorship Boards were sufficient evidence to allow the Boards to respond appropriately and in a timely manner.
- e. Examine executive compensation, investment fees and investment costs at OMERS in comparison to other major defined benefit pension plans and funds.
- f. Examine other relevant issues identified by the third-party expert review.
- g. Make recommendations for changes at OMERS to ensure stronger returns moving forward.
- h. Issue their final report and recommendations in a timely manner.
- i. Publicly release its full report and recommendations to ensure that it is available to OMERS sponsors, stakeholders, and plan members.

**And Further That** the Council of the Town of Arnprior calls on the OMERS Administrative Corporation to:

- a. Provide all requested data, documentation and information required of the review panel to fulfill its mandate.



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- b. Establish a step-by-step plan, with OMERS sponsors and stakeholders, to implement any recommendations set out in the review report.

**And Further** That this resolution be forwarded to CUPE and OMERS.

Resolution Carried

### 16. By-laws

Resolution Number 403-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Lisa McGee

That the following by-laws be and are hereby enacted and passed:

- i. By-law Number 7226-21 – Part Lot Control Marshall's Bay Meadows
- ii. By-law Number 7227-21 – Appoint a Deputy Fire Chief
- iii. By-law Number 7228-21 – Lease Agreement with Natural Resources Canada – Seismic Detection Equipment
- iv. By-law Number 7229-21 – Adopt Debt Management Policy

Resolution Carried

### 17. Announcements

Mayor Walter Stack made the following announcements:

- Congratulations to Cory Nicholas in accepting the role of Deputy Fire Chief, for the Town of Arnprior.
- Condolences to Henry Aumont's family. Mr. Aumont, the Founder of A&O Autoparts passed away this week.
- The Arnprior Skateboard Club had a fundraising event at the Rink of Dreams on Halloween, which was a success. I would like to thank them for their continued effort to raise funds for their organization.
- Congratulations to Bill Griesse who retired from coaching the Arnprior Packers after 25 years.

County Councillor Lynch made the following announcements:

- Remembrance Day is Thursday, November 11. The wreath will be in place at the Cenotaph for the Remembrance Day Ceremony. Also, 450 Helicopter Squadron will be doing a fly over Arnprior at 11:11 am.

### 18. Media Questions

None

### 19. Closed Session

None

### 20. Confirmatory By-Law

Resolution Number 404-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Ted Strike

**That** By-law No. 7230-21 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held on November 8, 2021 be and it is hereby enacted and passed.

Resolution Carried

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## **21. Adjournment**

Resolution Number 405-21

Moved by Lisa McGee

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

**That** this meeting of Council be adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Resolution Carried

## **Signatures**

Walter Stack, Mayor

Maureen Spratt, Town Clerk