



**Minutes of Council Meeting  
November 22, 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

**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

**Council Members Absent:**

**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 406-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Dan Lynch

**Be It Resolved That** the agenda, for the Regular Meeting of Council dated Monday, November 22, 2021 be adopted.

Resolution Carried

**5. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest**

None

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## 6. Question Period

Mayor Walter Stack noted that following consultation with Chief Jocko the flags at municipal facilities have been raised. Mayor Stack further noted Chief Jocko was supportive of the municipality erecting a permanent commemoration for Indigenous children who died at residential schools.

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

Resolution Number 407-21

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Lisa McGee

**That** the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council listed under item number 7 (a) on the Agenda be adopted (Regular Meeting of Council – November 8, 2021).

Resolution Carried

## 8. Awards/Delegations/Presentations

None

## 9. Public Meetings

None

## 10. Matter Tabled/ Deferred/ Unfinished Business

None

## 11. Staff Reports

### a) Waterfront Master Plan – CAO & Director of Recreation

Resolution Number 408-21

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Chris Toner

**That** Council receive the Draft Waterfront Master Plan for information; and

**Further that** Council adopt a By-law to approve the Waterfront Master Plan, prepared by Thinc Design, for use as a long-range planning tool to guide and inform future decisions with respect to the Town's waterfront.

Resolution Amended

The CAO provided introductory remarks regarding the Waterfront Master Plan document, following which Michael Tocher, representative of Thinc Design provided a power point presentation on the comprehensive master plan.

Following discussion, Mayor Walter Stack noted any additional comments on the document be sent to staff by mid-January.

Resolution Number 409-21

Moved by Tom Burnette

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

**That** Council amend Resolution Number 408-21 by deleting paragraph two (2).

Resolution Carried

Resolution Number 410-21

Moved by Tom Burnette

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

**That** Council receive the Draft Waterfront Master Plan for information.

Resolution Carried As Amended

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### **b) Off Leash Dog Park – General Manager, Client Services/Treasurer & Director of Recreation**

Resolution Number 411-21

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Lisa McGee

**That** future implementation of an off-leash dog park include:

- a) A comprehensive Off-Leash Dog Park Policy outlining rules and regulations be developed;
- b) A volunteer Community Group committed to support the off-leash dog park be established; and
- c) The annual pet licensing program be modified to generate sufficient revenues to cover the annual maintenance costs of an off-leash dog park.

**That** an off-leash dog park be included in the future McLean Field transition design.

Resolution Amended

Resolution Number 412-21

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Lisa McGee

That Council amend Resolution Number 411-21 to delete (c) in paragraph one (1) and replace paragraph two (2) with the following wording:

“That Council request staff to research alternate options for an off-leash dog park, including but not limited to collaborating with neighbouring municipalities.”

At the request of Mayor Walter Stack, a recorded vote was taken:

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

Resolution Carried

Resolution Number 413-21

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Lisa McGee

**That** future implementation of an off-leash dog park include:

- a) A comprehensive Off-Leash Dog Park Policy outlining rules and regulations be developed;
- b) A volunteer Community Group committed to support the off-leash dog park be established; and

**That** Council request staff to research alternate options for an off-leash dog park, including but not limited to collaborating with neighbouring municipalities.

At the request of Mayor Walter Stack, a recorded vote was taken:

Councillor Lisa McGee	Yes
Councillor Chris Toner	Yes
Councillor Tom Burnette	No
Councillor Lynn Grinstead	Yes
Councillor Ted Strike	Yes

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County Councillor Dan Lynch  
Mayor Walter Stack

Yes  
No

Resolution Carried As Amended

## c) 2022 Calendar of Meetings – Deputy Clerk

Resolution Number 414-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council approve the attached 2022 Calendar of Meetings.

Resolution Carried

## 12. Committee Reports and Minutes

### a) Biannual Client Services Advisory Committee Report – Chair Strike

Resolution Number 415-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Lisa McGee

That Council receive the Biannual Client Services Advisory Committee Report as information.

Resolution Carried

Chair Ted Strike provided a Biannual Report on the Corporate Services Advisory Committee.

### b) Biannual Community Development Advisory Committee Report – Chair Grinstead

Resolution Number 416-21

Moved by Lisa McGee

Seconded by Tom Burnette

That Council receive the Biannual Community Development Advisory Committee Report as information.

Resolution Carried

Chair Lynn Grinstead provided a Biannual Report on the Community Development Advisory Committee.

### c) Biannual Operations Advisory Committee Report – Chair Lynch

Resolution Number 417-21

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council receive the Biannual Operations Advisory Committee Report as information.

Resolution Carried

Chair Dan Lynch provided a Biannual Report on the Operations Advisory Committee.

### d) Municipal Recreation Committee

Resolution Number 418-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Chris Toner

That Council receive the Municipal Recreation Committee report as information.

Resolution Carried

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Mayor Walter Stack provided an update report on the Municipal Recreation Committee, involving the Town of Arnprior and Township of McNab/Braeside, referring to the items presented in the Agenda Package.

## 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 2022 Warden for the County of Renfrew is Debbie Robinson. This will be Warden Robinson's third term.
- His attendance at the 100 Day Kickoff of the Ontario Winter Games being hosted by Renfrew County. The key note speaker was the Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries and the Honourable Lisa MacLeod, who announced that the Ontario government had increased the funding by \$400K making the total \$1,400,000.
- At the November 8<sup>th</sup> Operations Meeting Resolution Number OP-C-21-11-136 Moved by Councillor Lynch and Seconded by Councillor Hunt was passed noting:

**That** County staff be directed to consult and contact the local municipalities to collect information and financial projections with respect to growth in each community as part of the process as part of the process of establishing future funding for County infrastructure over the next 10 years.

- The last County Council meeting for 2021 Wednesday, November 24, 2021 (via Zoom) with the Inaugural Meeting set for December 14<sup>th</sup>. It is unknown at this time if its going to be in person or not.

## 15. Correspondence & Petitions

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

Resolution Number 419-21

Moved by Lisa McGee

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

**That** the Correspondence Package Number I-21-NOV-20 be received as information and filed accordingly.

Resolution Carried

County Councillor Dan Lynch noted the following items:

- Page 17 - The Ontario government is investing \$18.5 million over three years to support survivors of domestic violence and human trafficking, by increasing access to safe and affordable housing, employment assistance and childcare through the Transitional and Housing Support Program.
- Page 19 - The Ontario government is helping police services across the province combat crime and keep communities safe by investing \$267.6 million over three years through the province's Community Safety and Policing (CSP) Grant program.

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Through the CSP Grant program, eligible police services are provided with funding to support the implementation of public safety and community policing initiatives that focus on local and provincial priorities such as community outreach programs, human trafficking and guns and gang violence. At the County's latest Operations meeting there was no mention of Renfrew County OPP getting any of this money.

- Page 21 - The Ontario government is investing more than \$529,000 through the True Patriot Love Foundation to expand access to specialized mental health services and support for Ontario's veterans returning to civilian life. The funding will be directed to community-based programs offering group counselling, and supports for women who suffered sexual trauma during combat.
- Page 39 - MPAC announced the continued postponement of the province-wide assessment update. This means that property taxes for the 2022 and 2023 taxation years will continue to be based on the January 1, 2016 valuation date. Property assessments will remain the same as they were for the 2021 tax year, unless there have been changes to the property. This could mean there could be a large increase in 2024.
- Page 59 - Small Business are now eligible for a Canada-Ontario Job Grant (COJG) which is designed to help employers train existing employees and new hires. Maximum support is \$10,000 per person. Contact OnTrac for more information.

Mayor Stack reiterated County Councillor Lynch's concern with MPAC's continued postponement of the province wide assessment. Following discussion staff will bring forward a motion requesting the province to reconsider its decision and direct MPAC to proceed with a province-wide assessment.

### **b) Correspondence Package – A-21-NOV-12**

Resolution Number 420-21

Moved by Ted Strike

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

**That** the Correspondence Package Number A-21-NOV-12 be received and that the recommendations outlined be brought forward for Council's consideration.

Resolution Carried

Resolution Number 421-21

Moved by Ted Strike

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

**That** Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior receive the Municipal Grant Policy Application from the Arnprior & District Humane Society; and

**Whereas** the Arnprior & District Humane Society is an eligible community organization under the Municipal Grants Policy.

**Therefore Be It Resolved That** Council supports the Arnprior & District Humane Society, by providing in-kind support of waiving the fees for 1 day use of the Nick Smith Centre Community Hall (value of approximately \$350.00), for the date of Sunday, December 5, 2021, for a "Feliz Naughty Dog" Bake and Craft Sale; and

**Further That** the Arnprior & District Humane Society 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

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**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

## 16. By-laws & Resolutions

### a) By-laws

Resolution Number 422-21

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That the following by-law be and is hereby enacted and passed:

- i. By-law Number 7231-21 – Amend Joint Use Recreation Agreement

Resolution Carried

### b) Resolutions

Resolution Number 423-21

Moved by Tom Burnette

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

**Whereas** Ontario Regulation 380/04 establishes the minimum standards for emergency management programs required by municipalities and provincial ministries and supports the requirement in the Act for mandatory emergency management programs; and

**Whereas** O. Reg 380/04 provides that the emergency management program co-ordinator shall coordinate the development and implementation of the municipality's emergency management program; and

**Whereas** the emergency management program coordinator shall report to the Emergency Management Program Committee on the development and implementation of the municipality's management program, conduct an annual review of the program and make recommendations to council if necessary; and

**Whereas** the Operations Advisory Committee at their meeting held on November 15, 2021, acting in the capacity of the Town's Emergency Management Program Committee has reviewed the Emergency Management Program for the Town of Arnprior, and has verified compliance with the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act and O.Reg 380/04.

**Therefore be it resolved that** the Emergency Management Program Committee recommends to Council support of the Town of Arnprior's emergency management program.

Resolution Carried

## 17. Announcements

County Councillor Lynch made the following announcements:

- Booster Shots will be available to eligible people on December 1, 2021.
- His attendance at a workshop on Cannabis Growth, which helped participants understand who is and who is not eligible for a licence from the Province.

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Councillor Chris Toner made the following announcements:

- On Friday, November 19, 2021 I attended the Arnprior & District Historical Society's first of four guest speakers, being the Ottawa Valley Fur Trade. There was a full house, following COVID-19 Health Guidelines. This was a very informative session, and I had a fantastic time. I look forward to the next guest speakers in January, February, and March 2022. Check out the Arnprior & District Museum's webpage for more information.
- I attended the Men's Shed Craft Show yesterday, and wanted to note the wonderful and talented craftsmen/ women that we have in this program. This program overall is wonderful for seniors, it has done wonders for many people who frequent this program. I hope this continues to support more people that are looking for something to do. I encourage seniors to join this group and live life to the fullest.

The CAO made the following announcements:

- The Town of Arnprior currently has a 98% compliance rate with the Vaccination Policy. This is a great indication of the leadership and showing of support for the vaccination efforts thus far.
- The Men's Shed is an incredible group of men, and it is important to note that our Men's Shed in this area is touted as one the best Shed in Canada. Thank you for all of their continued efforts.

Mayor Walter Stack made the following announcements:

- I will be meeting with the two new owners of the new Downtown Restaurant this week. The owners are hoping to hold a grand opening the first week of December.
- The Renfrew County & District Health Unit had their monthly meeting this week, and noted the following:
  - The COVID-19 issue at the Petawawa Army base is governed by Federal Public Health, but they have been very cooperative in working together with the County Health Unit;
  - There are 13 new cases in Renfrew County;
  - The new variant of concern is very serious and everyone needs to do their part and remember the safety rules
  - 10% of people in Renfrew County who are eligible to be vaccinated are still not vaccinated. This equates to 20,000 people. It is important to give vaccination more thought if you are not currently vaccinated.

## 18. Media Questions

None

## 19. Closed Session

None

## 20. Confirmatory By-Law

Resolution Number 424-21

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Chris Toner

**That** By-law No. 7232-21 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held on November 22, 2021 be and it is hereby enacted and passed.

Resolution Carried



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### **21. Adjournment**

Resolution Number 425-21

Moved by Lisa McGee

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

**That** this meeting of Council be adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Resolution Carried

### **Signatures**

Walter Stack, Mayor

Maureen Spratt, Town Clerk