



**Minutes of Council Meeting
January 24, 2022 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
Kaila Zamojski, Deputy Clerk
Graeme Ivory, Director of Recreation
John Steckly, GM, Operations
Rick Desarmia, Fire Chief
Jennifer Eve, Manager of Finance
Cory Nicholas, Deputy Fire Chief
Erin Coyle, A/MEDO

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 Councilor 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 011-22

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Ted Strike

Be It Resolved That the agenda, for the Regular Meeting of Council dated Monday, January 24, 2022 be adopted.

Resolution Carried as amended

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Resolution Number 012-22

Moved by Ted Strike

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council amend the agenda to add a third closed session item, being One (1) matter about a proposed or pending acquisition of land by the municipality or local board (Section 239 (2)(c))

Resolution Carried

5. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

Councillor Chris Toner declared the following:

“I, Chris Toner declare a pecuniary interest in Item 19 the additional Closed Session item number three, on the January 24, 2022 agenda.

I am making this declaration because I have a potential interest in purchasing the property.”

6. Question Period

None

7. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

Resolution Number 013-22

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Chris Toner

That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council listed under item number 7 (a) on the Agenda be adopted (Regular Meeting of Council – January 10, 2021)

Resolution Carried

8. Awards/Delegations/Presentations

a) Delegation

i) JJ Davis – Arnprior and Climate Change

JJ Davis provided a verbal summary of the presentation submitted in the Agenda Package, noting she is seeking Council’s assistance in:

- Developing a Climate Action Plan for the Town of Arnprior;
- Creating a Committee for Climate Action in the Town of Arnprior; and
- Taking the first step in helping with Climate Change for the future.

Mayor Stack thanked JJ Davis for bringing forward the presentation.

Mayor Stack further noted that staff will look into the FCM Climate Protection Plan as a guiding document, for how the Town of Arnprior should move forward, and bring back a more formalized approach for Council consideration.

9. Public Meetings

Resolution Number 014-22 (6:56 pm)

Moved by Lisa McGee

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council move into a public meeting regarding the Community Improvement Plan Update.

Resolution Carried

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Mayor Walter Stack declared the public meeting open at 6:56 pm.

Meghan MacMillan and Samantha Gatchene of WSP Consulting provided a presentation, as submitted in the Agenda Package.

The floor was opened to the public for comments, with none being received.

County Councilor Lynch noted in his opinion one quote for contractor services is not enough for businesses to provide when they are applying for assistance from the municipality.

The public meeting was declared closed at 7:21 pm.

Resolution Number 015-22 (7:21 pm)

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Lisa McGee

That Council resume to the regular meeting of Council.

Resolution Carried

10. Matter Tabled/ Deferred/ Unfinished Business

None

11. Staff Reports

a) Arnprior Waste Disposal Site – Year 7 Operations Contract, General Manager, Operations

Resolution Number 016-22

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Ted Strike

That Council authorize a one-year extension (Year 7) to Tomlinson Environmental Services for the provision of services to operate the Arnprior Waste Disposal Site, pursuant to RFT# PW-2016-07, for the period of September 1, 2022 to August 31, 2023.

Resolution Carried

b) Municipal Grant Application – Provincial Broomball Committee, Director of Recreation

Resolution Number 017-22

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Lisa McGee

That Council waive user fees and charges in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the Provincial Broomball Committee's municipal grant request for the use of the Nick Smith Centre Arenas and Community Hall March 11-13, 2022; and

Further That the Provincial Broomball Committee be advised that it is mandatory to carry sufficient liability insurance and have the Town of Arnprior added as an additional insured; and

Further That the Provincial Broomball Committee 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, staff, volunteers and attendees 12 years of age and older, social distancing, and masking where distancing is not possible.

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Resolution Carried

**c) User Fees and Charges – Annual Review, General Manager Client Services/
Treasurer**

Resolution Number 018-22

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council pass a by-law on a future Council meeting to implement the proposed changes to the User Fees and Charges By-law.

That Council authorize the Director of Recreation to develop and implement a policy for partnering with local youth user groups in a revenue-share model for advertising products at the Nick Smith Centre.

Resolution Carried

d) Summer Student Employment Program, General Manager Client Services/ Treasurer

Resolution Number 019-22

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Chris Toner

That Council adopt a by-law authorizing an amended Summer Student Employment Policy with a revised summer student wage scale.

Resolution Carried

e) Proclamation – Wear Red Canada Day, Deputy Clerk

Resolution Number 020-22

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Chris Toner

That Council proclaim February 13, 2022 as Wear Red Canada Day in the Town of Arnprior.

Resolution Carried

The Deputy Clerk read the proclamation:

Whereas Heart disease is the number one killer of women worldwide and the leading cause of premature death for Canadian women, a fact unknown to many women and their healthcare providers; and

Whereas The Canadian Women's Heart Health Alliance is an organization of volunteer health professionals and patients working hard to improve women's heart health; and

Whereas [Wear Red Canada Day](#) is celebrated annually to raise awareness for all Canadians, but especially Canadian women, to be mindful, curious, and proactive in the management of their heart health and wellness; and

Whereas We want to see better prevention, diagnosis, and care and fewer women dying prematurely from heart disease;

Now Therefore, I Walter Stack Mayor of Arnprior, do hereby proclaim February 13, 2022 as Wear Red Canada Day in the Town of Arnprior, Ontario.

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12. Committee Reports and Minutes

None

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:

- County Planning statistics include:
 - New Building Lots:
 - 2020 – 391
 - 2021 – 783 plus at the present time there are 322 lots in system
 - Severance of Property:
 - 2020-106
 - 2021-200
- Warden, Debbie Robinson, has been elected as the Chair of the Eastern Ontario Warden's Caucus for another year.
- On January 17th, County Council held its 2022 Budget Workshop which will be tabled in February 2022.
- For information, the County of Renfrew manages the housing needs of 221 residents in the Town of Arnprior.

15. Correspondence & Petitions

a) Correspondence Package – I-22-JAN-02

Resolution Number 021-22

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That the Correspondence Package Number I-22-JAN-02 be received as information and filed accordingly.

Resolution Carried

County Councillor Dan Lynch noted the following items:

- Page 10 - Ontario is renewing the scholarship fund in memory of the 57 Canadians involved in the 2020 fatal plane crash of Ukrainian International Airlines Flight PS752 in Iran. The fund will disburse additional scholarship funding of \$10,000 to 57 students, one in memory of each victim. One of the Ontario postsecondary institutions who lost a student or faculty in this fatal plane crash included Carleton University.
- Page 18 - "Effective 18 January, families and small businesses will benefit from 21 days of electricity at a lowered to the off-peak rate of 8.2 cents per kilowatt-hour -- less than half the on-peak rate -- 24 hours per day.
- Page 20 - Good news for businesses, as they can now apply for the new Ontario Business Costs Rebate Program. Through the new program, the government will provide eligible businesses with a rebate payment of up to 100% for property tax and energy costs they incur while subject to these restrictions.
- Page 98 - Ontario Health East is looking for 12-15 Ontarians from the East region to join our Council who represent our region's diverse community. Expression of Interest can go to: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/OHEastPFAC>

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- Page 99 - Congratulations to The Arnprior and McNab/Braeside Archives for obtaining funding from the Government of Canada's New Horizons for Seniors Program and the Ottawa Branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society which has allowed the Arnprior Chronicle Guide to be digitized to 1966 (previously ended at 1937), while the Arnprior Guide is also now available online from 1966 to 1975.
- Page 112 - Ontario Regulation 406/19 dealing with On-Site and Excess Soil Management came into effect on January 1, 2022. To the Environmental Officer - Does this Regulation affect any of the projects that we may be completing in Town?

The CAO noted that this new Regulation does apply to the Town's management of soil as it relates to any of our construction projects, and staff are working to incorporate additional requirement and specifications within our tender documents to address this issue.

16. By-laws & Resolutions

a) By-laws

Resolution Number 022-22

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Dan Lynch

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

- By-law Number 7250-22** – Interim Tax
- By-law Number 7251-22** – Part Lot Control Fairgrounds (Blocks 53-55)
- By-law Number 7252-22** – Part Lot Control Fairgrounds (Blocks 43 and 44)
- By-law Number 7253-22** – Remove Holding Symbol 240 Baskin Drive East
- By-law Number 7254-22** – Revised Summer Student Employment Policy and Student Pay Scale

Resolution Carried

17. Announcements

County Councillor Lynch made the following announcements:

- I would like to acknowledge a Town Veteran, Bert Tourangeau who is being recognized by the Royal Canadian Legion for 75 years of continuous service.
- The Arnprior Hospital Catch the Ace Lottery is now over \$20,256 and the Lion's Club Catch the Ace Lottery is now a little over \$10,000.

Councillor Chris Toner announced, January 26, 2022 is Bell Lets Talk Day. There are many ways to support this initiative, and I encourage everyone to take the time to support this. For anyone out there who is suffering a personal crisis or anyone that knows of someone, "Keep Listening and Keep Talking".

Councillor Ted Strike congratulated Mike Ledgerwood, Chris Crowder and Ryan Dalgity on receiving their Associate Roads Supervisor Certification.

Mayor Walter Stack announced that he has received news from John Yakabuski's office on the Town's Ontario Trillium Grant funding, being a grant total of \$320,000, and the County of Renfrew receiving a grant total of \$62,800.

18. Media Questions

None

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19. Closed Session

Resolution Number 023-22 (8:06 pm)

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Ted Strike

That Council move into closed session regarding:

- One (1) Matter to discuss a personal matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees pursuant to Section 239 (2)(b) of the Municipal Act, 2001 (Committee Appointment); and
- One (1) matter to discuss a personal matter about an identifiable individual including municipal or local board employees and labour relations or employee negotiations pursuant to Section 239(2)(b)(d) of the Municipal Act, 2001 (Building Inspector); and
- One (1) matter about a proposed or pending acquisition of land by the municipality or local board, pursuant to Section 239 (2)(c) of the Municipal Act, 2001 (Land Purchase).

Resolution Carried

Resolution Number 024-22 (8:38 pm)

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Ted Strike

That Council resume to open session.

Resolution Carried

Resolution Number 025-22

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Ted Strike

That Council direct staff to bring forward an appointing by-law for the Committee of Adjustment / Property Standards Committee to the February 14, 2022 Council meeting.

Resolution Carried

Resolution Number 026-22

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Lisa McGee

That Council authorize the CAO to proceed as directed in Closed Session regarding Item #2 (Building Inspector) and Item #3 (Land Purchase).

Resolution Carried

20. Confirmatory By-Law

Resolution Number 027-22

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

That By-law No. 7255-22 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 24, 2022 be and it is hereby enacted and passed.

Resolution Carried

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21. Adjournment

Resolution Number 028-22

Moved by Lisa McGee

Seconded by Ted Strike

That this meeting of Council be adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Resolution Carried

Signatures

Walter Stack, Mayor

Maureen Spratt, Town Clerk