



**Minutes of Council Meeting
January 23, 2023 6:30 PM**

Town Hall, Council Chambers – 105 Elgin St. W. Arnprior, ON.

Council and Staff Attendance

Council Members Present (In-Person):

Mayor Lisa McGee
County Councillor Dan Lynch
Councillor Lynn Grinstead
Councillor Chris Toner
Councillor Chris Couper

Council Members Present (Electronic):

Councillor Billy Denault

Council Members Absent:

Councillor Tom Burnette

Town Staff Present:

Robin Paquette, CAO
Maureen Spratt, Town Clerk
Jennifer Morawiec, General Manager,
Client Services / Treasurer
John Steckly, GM, Operations
Graeme Ivory, Recreation Director
Alix Jolicoeur, Manager of Community
Services / Planner
Oliver Jacob, Client Services Coordinator

1. Call to Order

Mayor Lisa McGee 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 with the exception of Councillor Burnette.

3. Land Acknowledgement Statement

Mayor Lisa McGee 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 015-23

Moved by Chris Couper

Seconded by Dan Lynch

Be It Resolved That the agenda, for the Regular Meeting of Council dated Monday, January 23, 2023 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 016-23

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

That the minutes of the Regular Meeting(s) of Council listed under Item 7 (a) on the Agenda be adopted.

Resolution Carried.

8. Awards/Delegations/Presentations

9. Public Meetings

None

10. Matter Tabled/ Deferred/ Unfinished Business

None

11. Staff Reports

a) Blue Box Transition to Individual Producer Responsibility, Environmental Engineering Officer

Resolution Number 017-23

Moved by Chris Couper

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council receive report 23-01-23-01 as information.

Resolution Carried

b) User Fees and Charges – Annual Review, GMCS, Treasurer

Resolution Number 018-23

Moved by Chris Couper

Seconded by Chris Toner

That Council pass a by-law at the February 13, 2023 Council meeting to implement the proposed changes to the User Fees and Charges By-law.

Resolution Carried

c) Zoning By-law Amendment 2/22 (Sheffield Street), Manager of Community Services / Planner

Resolution Number 019-23

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council receives an application for an amendment to Zoning By-law 6875-18, for a vacant property along Sheffield Street to rezone the subject property from “Residential Two Holding symbol H1 (R2(H1))” to “Residential Two Exception 43 with holding symbol H1 (R2*43 (H1))”.

That pursuant to Section 34(12) of the Planning Act, Council holds a public meeting on Monday, February 27, 2023, regarding the proposed amendment, to allow for public review and comment.

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d) Recommendations to address impacts of Bill 109, the *More Homes for Everyone Act*, Manager of Community Services / Planner

Resolution Number 020-23

Moved by Chris Couper

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

That Council receives Staff Report 23-01-23-04, as information regarding Bill 109, the *More Homes for Everyone Act 2022* and Bill 23, the *More Homes Built Faster Act 2022*.

And Further That Council directs staff to proceed with drafting an official plan amendment to specify the plans and documents that may be required for a complete zoning by-law amendment or site plan application; require pre-consultation review which may require peer review, technical sign-off or acceptance; and to include wording that recognizes the ability of the municipality to approve a site plan with conditions.

Resolution Carried

e) Proclamation – Wear Red Canada Day (February 13, 2023), Deputy Clerk

Resolution Number 021-23

Moved by Chris Couper

Seconded by Lynn Grinstead

That Council proclaim February 13, 2023 as Wear Red Canada Day in the Town of Arnprior.

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 Globally, cardiovascular diseases affect one out of three women, yet women everywhere are under-studied, under-diagnosed, under-treated, and under-aware when it comes to their cardiovascular health; 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, care, and fewer women dying prematurely from heart disease.

Now Therefore, I Lisa McGee Mayor of Arnprior, do hereby proclaim February 13, 2023, as Wear Red Canada Day in the Town of Arnprior, Ontario.

Resolution Carried

f) Proclamation – 2023 Black History Month, Deputy Clerk

Resolution Number 022-23

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Chris Toner

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That Council proclaim February 2023 as Black History Month in the Town of Arnprior.

Whereas the Government of Canada is celebrating Black History Month in February; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario and Government of Canada also recognize Black History Month and its significance in February; and

Whereas the Town of Arnprior understands the importance of recognizing individuals in Arnprior, both past and present, who are members of the Black community; and

Whereas during Black History Month, we commemorate and celebrate the many achievements and contributions made by Black Canadians, who throughout our history have shaped our country's heritage and identity; and

Whereas through the month of February the Town of Arnprior will share various information and resources pertaining to Black History Month via social media and the Town's website.

Therefore I, Lisa McGee, Mayor of the Town of Arnprior, do hereby proclaim February 2023, as Black History Month in the Town of Arnprior. I encourage all residents, staff, and Members of Council to take the time to participate and utilize shared resources, and other information, to learn more and understand how these communities continue to help shape the story of Canada.

Resolution Carried

12. Notice of Motions

None

13. County Councillor's Report from County Council

- The Ontario Winter Games are coming to Town. The Ringette event will take place February 2-5, 2023 at the Nick Smith Centre. WUSHU, another name for Kung Fu, is a martial arts competition being held at the high school. Admission to the games is free.
- Last week the County met to discuss and draft a four-year Strategic Plan. The final draft will be part of 2023 Budget deliberations.
- The ROMA conference is being held in Toronto January 22-25. Representatives from the County have been successful in obtaining delegations with five ministries including, Children, Community and Social Services; Housing; Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs; Housing and Infrastructure. Councillor Denault is in Toronto representing the Town of Arnprior.

14. Correspondence & Petitions

a) Correspondence Package – I-23-Jan-02

Resolution Number 023-23

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Chris Couper

That the Correspondence Package Number I-23-Jan-02 be received as information and filed accordingly.

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County Councillor Dan Lynch noted the following:

- Page 19 – A Seniors Community Grant is available with applications to be made between January 11 - March 6. This grant is to support the delivery of programs and learning opportunities for seniors. Applications will be accepted through the Transfer Payment Ontario site.
 - On question of the County Councillor the CAO advised staff are evaluating possible projects for this grant opportunity.
- Page 19 - AMO is offering a barrier free web solution, through GHD Digital, for a webinar on January 26 to see Govstack, the newest content management system for municipal websites.
 - On question of the County Councillor the CAO advised the municipality is with GHD Digital and the Marketing and Economic Development Officer will be attending this webinar.
- Page 19 - The LAS Fuel Program is now part of Canoe. The fuel program cuts the cost of running fleets by buying fuels and lubricants in bulk or from your local gas station.
 - On question of the County Councillor the CAO advised the municipality is always looking at the LAS Canoe opportunities and will consider this one as well.
- Page 22 - The LAS Road and Sidewalk Assessment service is getting ready for the 2023 survey season. Better data helps get the most out of every maintenance dollar.
 - On question of the County Councillor the CAO advised we have reviewed and had discussions with LAS regarding a summer scan and free quote.

b) Correspondence Package A-23-Jan-02

Resolution Number 024-23

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Chris Couper

That the Correspondence Package Number. A-23-Jan-02 be received, and that the recommendations outlined be brought forward for Council's consideration.

Resolution Carried

Resolution Number 025-23

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Chris Couper

That Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior receive the Municipal Grant (In-Kind Support) request from the Arnprior Lionettes; and

Whereas the Arnprior Lionettes is an eligible organization under the Municipal Grants Policy and is hosting a "Friendship Picnic Fundraiser" on February 26, 2023; and

Whereas the Arnprior Lionettes is hosting this event as a fundraiser for their organization; and

Therefore Be It Resolved That Council approve the request for waiving the Nick Smith Centre Community Hall rental fees, including set up and tear down (valued at approximately \$350.00), for the Arnprior Lionettes on February 26, 2023 to host their Fundraising Picnic; and

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Further That the Arnprior Lionettes 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.

Resolution Carried

16. By-laws & Resolutions

a) By-laws

Resolution Number 026-23

Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded Chris Toner

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

- By-law Number 7350-23 - Adopt 2023 Non-Union Salary Grid

Resolution Carried

b) Resolutions

Resolution Number 027-23

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded Chris Couper

Whereas County of Renfrew is hosting the Ontario Winter Games with the Ringette event taking place February 2-5, 2023 at the Nick Smith Centre and the WUSHU event taking place February 10-11, 2023 at Arnprior District High School; and

Whereas the Ontario Winter Games Organizing Committee presented to the Council of the Town of Arnprior at the December 7, 2022 special meeting of Council and requested approximately \$10,000 of in-kind support, including use of the Nick Smith Centre Arena and Community Hall for the Ringette event and other incidental support, subject to operational availability;

Therefore be it resolved that Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior authorize up to \$10,000 of in-kind support for facility use and incidental support, for the 2023 Ontario Winter Games.

Resolution Carried

17. Announcements

County Councillor Lynch made the following announcement(s):

- Arnprior Regional Health is holding a Masquerade Fundraising Party with all proceeds going toward medical equipment for the Arnprior Hospital.
- The second event of the Knights of Columbus & Legion Euchre Challenge will be held at the Parish Hall on January 27 with registration taking place at 6:30 p.m.
- Thank you to the Arnprior Optimist Club for a super winter carnival that was enjoyed by people of all ages.

Councillor Couper made the following announcement(s):

- In honour of Isobel Munro's 98th birth, the Arnprior Curling Club is celebrating with a bonspiel. Isobel is a bonified legend and skipped the Arnprior Curling club to many championships.
- Pet licences are free for the months of January and February. Licences increase to \$25 and \$50 (spayed and not spayed) in March and \$50 and \$100 beginning April 1.

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Councillor Couper reminded pet owners that animals are required to be leashed and under care and control of their owners.

- The Town has launched an online building permit portal to submit applications providing greater flexibility and accessibility for residents preparing for building projects.
- On Friday January 27th, the Nick Smith Centre is hosting a Youth Tween Dance between 6:30 and 9:00 p.m.

Councillor Toner made the following announcement(s):

- Wednesday, January 25th is Bell Lets Talk Day in promotion of increased awareness and acceptance around mental health, mental health awareness, acceptance and action building on 4 key pillars, anti-stigma, care and access, research and workplace leadership.

The General Manager, Client Services / Treasurer added the 2023 summer student employment opportunities have been posted. Online applications for summer positions can be found on the town's website.

18. Media Questions

None

19. Closed Session

None

20. Confirmatory By-Law

Resolution Number 028-23

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Chris Couper

That By-law No. 7351-23 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 23, 2023 be and it is hereby enacted and passed.

Resolution Carried

21. Adjournment

Resolution Number 029-23


Moved by Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That this meeting of Council be adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Resolution Carried

Signatures


✓ Lisa McGee, Mayor



Maureen Spratt, Town Clerk