

Minutes of Council Meeting March 25, 2024 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 Chris Toner Councillor Chris Couper Councillor Billy Denault

Council Members Present (Electronic):

Council Members Absent: Councillor Lvnn Cloutier

Councillor Tom Burnette

Town Staff Present:

Robin Paquette, CAO Kaila Zamojski, Town Clerk Jennifer Morawiec, General Manager Client Services/Treasurer Oliver Jacob, Client Services Coordinator Graeme Ivory, Director of Recreation John Steckly, General Manager Operations Amy Dean, Environmental Engineering Officer Scott Matthews, Waterworks Supervisor Cassidy Marshall, A/Manager of Finance/Deputy Treasurer Jacques Benoit, Chief Building Official Lindsay Wilson, Marketing & Economic Development Officer

Also Present:

Jamie Batchelor of J.L. Richards and Associates

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, except Councillor Lynn Cloutier and Councillor Tom 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 095-24 Moved by Chris Couper Seconded by Billy Denault **Be It Resolved That** the agenda, for the Regular Meeting of Council dated Monday, March 25, 2024 be adopted.

Resolution Carried

5. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

Councillor Chris Couper declared the following pecuniary interest on Item #12 (b) Marshall's Bay Meadows – Phase 4B Subdivision Agreement, of the last Regular Meeting of Council on March 11, 2024:

"I am making this declaration because I live in close proximity to the subject lands."

6. Question Period

None

7. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

Resolution Number 096-24 Moved by Dan Lynch Seconded by Billy Denault **That** the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council listed under Item 7 (a) on the Agenda be adopted (Regular Meeting of Council – March 11, 2024).

Resolution Carried

- 8. Awards/Delegations/Presentations None
- 9. Public Meetings None
- 10. Matter Tabled/ Deferred/ Unfinished Business None
- 11. Notice of Motions None

12. Staff Reports

a) Official Plan Amendment No. 6 and Zoning By-law Amendment No. 1-23 (Winners Circle Drive) – J.L. Richards and Associates

Resolution Number 097-24

Moved by Billy Denault

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council receive applications for amendment to the Town of Arnprior Official Plan and Zoning By-law 6875-18, for the lands known legally as PT E 1/2 LT 3, CON A, PT 2, 49R9552, EXCEPT PT 2, 49R14108 ; TOWN OF ARNPRIOR; PT E 1/2 LT 3 CON A PTS 4 & 7 49R9552; EXCEPT PT 1 49R9860, PTS 1 & 2 49R10750 & PT 1 49R14108; TOWN OF ARNPRIOR, to amend the OP designation and zoning.

That Council has considered all written and oral submissions received on this application, the effect of which has helped Council make an informed decision; and

That Council passes a by-law to adopt the Official Plan Amendment #6 for the subject sites known locally as 39 Winners Circle Drive to redesignate the subject lands from 'Mixed Use Commercial/Employment Area (MUCE)' to "Special Designation - Mixed Use Commercial/ Employment Area (MUCE) subject to C5.8.X" for the purpose of adding a site specific policy to permit apartment dwelling and townhouse dwellings with accessory uses, occupied by person who are 55+ years of age, as permitted uses, with a maximum height of 4 storeys.

That Council passes a by-law to adopt the Zoning By-law amendment (ZBLA-1/23) for the subject sites municipally known as 39 Winners Circle Drive, to re-zone the subject lands from 'Mixed Use Commercial/Employment (MU-CE)' to 'Mixed use Commercial/Employment Exception XX (MU-CE*XX)' for the purpose of implementing site specific provisions to add apartment dwelling and townhouse dwelling units, with medical office, restaurant and personal service use as permitted accessory uses, occupied primarily by persons who are 55+ years, provide for a maximum of 1000 m2 Gross Floor Area of permitted accessory uses in an apartment, provide for a minimum rear yard setback of 7.5 m; establish a minimum bicycle parking of 6 bicycle parking spaces and establish a minimum parking requirement of 1 parking space per 50 m₂ of Gross Floor Area for the permitted accessory uses. The By-law will come into full force and effect once OPA #6 has been approved by the County of Renfrew, that reflects the applicant's request for specific zoning for the site.

Resolution Deferred

Discussion ensued among Members of Council resulting in the following Motion to Defer:

Resolution Number 098-24 Moved by Chris Couper Seconded by Lisa McGee That Council defer Resolution Number 097-24 until the next Regular Meeting of Council.

A Recorded Vote was taken by request of County Councillor Dan Lynch:Councillor Chris CouperYesCouncillor Billy DenaultNoCounty Councillor Dan LynchNoCouncillor Chris TonerYesMayor Lisa McGeeYes

Resolution Carried

 b) 2023 Drinking Water Quality Management System (DWQMS) Audits and Management Review Results/ OnWARN Program – Environmental Engineering Officer

Resolution Number 099-24 Moved by Billy Denault Seconded by Chris Couper

That Council receive Report Number 24-03-25-02 authorizing the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) and the General Manager, Operations on behalf of Top Management, and the Mayor, on behalf of Council, to endorse the QMS Commitment and Endorsement Policy, to meet the requirements of the Town of Arnprior Drinking Water Quality Management System Operational Plan.

That Council adopt a by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute the Agreement to participate in the Ontario Water / Wastewater Agency Response Network (OnWARN) program.

That Council authorize the General Manager, Operations to act as "Authorized Official" under the Agreement and to carry out the responsibilities of the Authorized Official as described in the Agreement, including the following:

- a) Request assistance,
- b) Offer assistance,
- c) Decline to offer assistance; or
- d) Withdraw assistance.

A Recorded Vote was taken at the request of County Councillor Dan Lynch:

Councillor Chris Couper	Yes
Councillor Billy Denault	Yes
County Councillor Dan Lynch	Yes
Councillor Chris Toner	Yes
Mayor Lisa McGee	Yes

Resolution Carried

c) 2023 Annual Reports – Arnprior Water Pollution Control Centre (WPCC) and Arnprior Drinking Water System (ADWS) – Waterworks Supervisor

Resolution Number 100-24

Moved by Billy Denault

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council receive this report for information and receive the following additional reports for information:

- 1. Arnprior Water Pollution Control Centre Summary Report 2023
- 2. Town of Arnprior Waterworks, Annual Report 2023
- 3. Arnprior Water Filtration Plant Summary Report 2023
- 4. WPCC Environmental Compliance Approval Issue date July 18, 2023
- 5. MECP Arnprior DWS 2023-24 Inspection Report # 1-207755721, dated January 18, 2024
- 6. MECP Inspection Rating Report (IRR), dated February 2, 2024

Further that a copy of the above noted reports be made available to the Public for review in hard copy format at the Town Hall and in electronic format on the Town's website.

A Recorded Vote was taken at the request of County Councillor Dan Lynch:

Councillor Chris Couper	Yes
Councillor Billy Denault	Yes
County Councillor Dan Lynch	Yes
Councillor Chris Toner	Yes
Mayor Lisa McGee	Yes

d) 2023 Economic Development Review – Marketing and Economic Development Officer

Resolution Number 101-24 Moved by Billy Denault Seconded by Chris Couper **That** Council receive Report No. 24-03-25-04 entitled the 2023 Economic Development Review as information.

Resolution Carried

e) 2023 Statement of Remuneration and Expenses Paid to Council and Local Boards – A/Manager of Finance/ Deputy Treasurer

Resolution Number 102-24 Moved by Chris Couper Seconded by Dan Lynch **That** Council receives as information the attached 2023 Statement of Remuneration and Expenses paid to Council and Local Boards.

Resolution Carried

f) Zoning By-law Amendment No. 1/24 – 10 William Street West (Temporary Use) – CAO

Resolution Number 103-24 Moved by Billy Denault Seconded by Chris Couper

That Council receives an application for a Zoning By-law Amendment (ZBLA 1/24) for the property known municipally as 10 William Street West to rezone the subject property from "Mixed Use Residential/Commercial exception 3 (MU-RC*3)" to "Mixed Use Residential/Commercial exception 3 temporary 2 [MU-RC*3(T2)]".

That pursuant to the Planning Act, Council holds a public meeting on Monday, April 22nd, 2024, regarding the proposed amendment, to allow for public review and comment. Resolution Carried

g) Request for Encroachments – 73 Carss Street – CAO

Resolution Number 104-24 Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council adopts a by-law to permit the following encroachments at 73 Carss Street, as shown on a Surveyor's Real Property Report prepared by Callon & Dietz, dated December 21, 2023:

- a) A maximum of 0.83 metres for the existing 1 story single detached dwelling onto the McGonigal Street road allowance; and
- b) A maximum of 2.99 metres for the existing deck and steps and, when in need of replacement, 1.2 metres for a replacement of the existing deck and steps onto the McGonigal Street road allowance;

And That Council deny the request for any encroachment of a shed with concrete pad on the McGonigal Street road allowance.

h) Proclamation for Sexual Assault Awareness Month (May 2024)

Resolution Number 105-24 Moved by Chris Couper Seconded by Dan Lynch **That** Council proclaim May 2024 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in the Town of Arnprior.

Resolution Carried

The Town Clerk read the following proclamation:

Whereas Sexual Assault Awareness Month is intended to draw attention to the fact that sexual violence is widespread and impacts every community member; and

Whereas approximately 1 in 3 women and 1 in 6 men will experience sexual violence in their lifetime; and

Whereas most victims of sexual violence are under the age of 25, know the person who attacked them and do not report the crime to the police; and

Whereas the prevalence of all gender-based violence, including domestic violence and sexual assault, has tragically increased during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Whereas victims of sexual violence are some of the most vulnerable and silent people in society and it is always the right time to ask questions to learn about the services for victims and their families; and

Whereas no one person, organization, agency or community can eliminate sexual violence on their own and we must work together to educate our community about sexual violence prevention, supporting survivors, and speaking out against harmful attitudes and actions; and

Whereas the Women's Sexual Assault Centre of Renfrew County is a grassroots, community-run nonprofit organization that aims to support women who have been sexually abused through active listening, information sharing and providing connections to relevant resources across our region;

Now Therefore I, Lisa McGee, Mayor of the Town of Arnprior, do hereby proclaim May 2024 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in the Town of Arnprior and urge all residents of our community to learn more about sexual assault, abuse and violence and become active participants in eliminating these crimes.

13. Committee Reports and Minutes

a) Mayor's Report

Mayor Lisa McGee reported the following:

 In the last two weeks, I have heard from a half a dozen residents by phone, email, and through social media that they are concerned with speeding and enforcement. This seems to be a growing concern in all areas, not just Arnprior. I recently learned that speeding is an ongoing concern right in front of the Ottawa Police station located on Huntmar Drive, so we are clearly not alone. As always, I encourage residents to report the issue to OPP, and that they provide as much information as possible in doing so - including time of day, vehicle make/model,

plate number if possible. Through this information, OPP are able to determine frequent flyers, hot spots, and to take appropriate action accordingly.

- Last week, I met with Ed Reid and a handful of other volunteers. Ed is leading the charge on a fundraising event for the Men's Shed, taking place April 6th at the parish hall, and he is calling it the "Do It for Glenn" campaign, since Glenn Arthur and he were leading the fundraising initiative for their new space and expanded programming.
- I had a great chat with Bill Gardner from the Arnprior Lions club. Bill is looking forward to their Walk for Guide Dogs, taking place a little earlier this year, on May 10th, in order to try and avoid the heat they experienced last year. He and the Lions are also hoping to move forward on their hope for Hydro Park and are looking forward to staff report. Finally, Bill mentioned that there were some issues with paint and one of the benches that they installed last year along Madawaska needs to have its legs replaced, and that this will happen under warranty.
- I spent many hours last week watching a couple of council meetings and special council meetings in small, neighbouring municipalities. There are always some great learning opportunities to be found in doing so. One interesting takeaway from one such meeting was learning that having an ad hoc committee of three members suddenly become quorum if a fourth member is in attendance and/or participates. While this seems obvious, I can understand the innocent nuance of having an interested council member present at a committee made up of residents and a handful of council members, especially if it is regarding an important issue. It is a good reminder that all of our communications and participation in dialogue as a council need to be mindful of the rule of 4.
- Finally, as County Councillor Lynch mentioned last week, the season premiere of Bryan Baeumler's 'All In' will happen Easter Sunday, March 31st on HGTV. He was a guest on Global yesterday, and there are some great shots of Arnprior in the footage.

Mayor Lisa McGee vacated her seat as chair of the meeting with Councillor Chris Toner assuming the duties of the Chair at 7:57 pm.

Mayor Lisa McGee resumed her sear as Chair of the meeting at 7:59 pm.

b) County Councillor's Report

County Councillor Lynch reported the following from the County of Renfrew:

- The Boards of Health for Renfrew County and District Health Unit (RCDHU) and the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit announced they would not seek provincial approval and funding to voluntarily merge.
- There is a Leadership Change at the Canadian Nuclear Laboratories, which includes: the President\CEO, Joe McBrearty, being replaced by Jack Craig Jr; Jan Preston, Dr. Stephen Busby, Vice-President of Science and Technology, and Janet Tosh, Vice-President of Human Resources.
- A reminder that the Algonquin Trail is not open until May 1st. Last week two individuals were seriously injured after losing control of their ATV on the trail.

c) Committee Reports and Minutes

Councillor Chris Couper reported on the following:

- The Culture and Diversity Advisory Committee Monday, March 4th, 2024
 - This was the first meeting of this Committee.
 - The committee was introduced and then proceeded to elect a Chair and Vice-Chair to the committee. The committee elected Michael Bradley as Chair and myself as Vice-Chair.
 - The committee heard a number of presentations and received the Culture and Diversity Advisory Committee Terms of Reference as well as the history and background of the Inclusivity and Diversity Advisory Committee.
 - The Committee received a presentation from Manager of Culture Emily Stovel on Cultural Planning at the Amprior and District Museum.
 - A short round table discussion followed. I introduced the idea of extending an invitation to an Indigenous Elder or Knowledge Keeper and the committee agreed that we would like to gain more information to ensure that we are doing so in a respectful and meaningful manner.
 - Another item that came up during the roundtable was whether we could hold meetings outside of Council Chambers. While it was decided that this was the preferred location for meetings, the option to hold meetings at the Museum was discussed. We chose to hold the next meeting, on April 2nd, at the Museum; these meetings are open to the public.
- The Library Board Wednesday March 20th, 2024
 - Chief Librarian Karen DeLuca is thrilled to report that construction of the library's lower level is complete and is now re-open. Equipment and furnishings are being assembled and the Library looks forward to welcoming patrons back into this space.
 - The contents insurance amount for some of the items lost in the flood came as a bit of a surprise, with the assessed replacement value of some items seeming to be very low. This was especially true for items like the electric fireplace that was lost; the insurer quoted an "extremely economical" electric fireplace from a big box retailer. The Board will be looking into ensuring future insurance coverage can include actual replacement values and not depreciated values.
 - The year end financials have not been completed, with the flood, March Break, and insurance cited as contributing factors for the delay.
 - Strategic planning was discussed, with the Board preferring to go with a full facilitated strategic planning process. The Board will be presenting ideas at our April meeting for content to be included in a survey. We discussed the value of having varied ways of conducting the survey, with online, paper, and in-person options; the idea of a contest to help encourage participation in the survey was also discussed.
 - The Board discussed the official naming of Scharff Hall, which has been delayed due to the lower level flood and is now expected to take place in Early May.
 - March break programming was a tremendous success; workshops were at capacity with a wait list, stressing the important role that March Break programming plays in the community.
 - Other topics discussed included the introduction of a seed library, where patrons can swap non-invasive local seeds, the Longer Table Vegetable Garden, and Solar Eclipse glasses: all pair that were received from "Let's

Talk Science" were snatched up within minutes and the Library was ordering more ISO certified eclipse glasses from Telescopes Canada to be handed out upon receipt.

- Following some discussion of how to accommodate individuals who may not have a fixed address but wish to obtain books from the library, the Board approved the idea of establishing a small fund to cover the limited borrowing of two printed materials for these individuals.
- In New Business, the Board will be looking at the feasibility of introducing EV charging capabilities in the future. With ChargeON grants being currently closed, the idea was deferred until a later date.

Councillor Toner reported the following from the Seniors Active Living Centre meeting on Monday, March 18, 2024:

- The SALC Committee welcomed three new committee members:
 - Jennifer Powley (vice president of seniors care, long term care and community programs); and
 - Johanna Rolfe; and
 - Sandra Elliot.
- Arnprior SALC has an opportunity to receive grant funding from Eganville Echo Centre who received the revitalizing and reactivating communities grant from the federal government.
 - SALC will be participating in a Renfrew County wide bus trip to the tulip festival on May 13th. The trip cost is \$65 person and is subsidized by the grant money received by the Eganville Seniors Echo Centre.
- There was an enthusiastic brainstorming session to discuss and present ideas for male specific programming and there is now a long list of program and excursion ideas.
 - It was decided that a survey will be sent to current SALC male members to decide on which male specific programs to move forward with.
- Some new fun SALC programming ideas and social events were discussed and are in the early planning and feasibility analysis.
- The SALC will be partnering with the Galilee Centre to create an intergenerational cafe where local high school students will socialize with seniors.
- Membership renewal season is underway for 2024/25 and so far 130+ members have renewed. A challenge moving forward is the growing membership and a high participation rate creates sold out programming and capacity issues. Graeme and Dana will review and reimagine what the town's "in-kind' services could look like to better suit this growing and active membership. Dana and Jennifer will also be doing a business case study for increasing programming capacity.
- On Thursday March 21st I attended the latest revitalizing and reactivating communities meeting hosted at the Renfrew Golden Age Activity centre. The Golden Age activity centre was in the spotlight and they presented what programming looks like at their centre. There was also marketing and branding discussion, social media strategies and training opportunities for all participating Senior Centres in the County.

14. Correspondence & Petitionsa) Correspondence Package – I-24-Mar-06

Resolution Number 106-24 Moved by Billy Denault Seconded by Chris Couper **That** the Correspondence Package Number I-24-Mar-06 be received as information and filed accordingly.

Resolution Carried

County Councillor Lynch noted the following items:

- Page 6 It's Bear season. Bear sighting can be reported by calling the toll free number at 1-866-514-2327.
- Page 13 The Ontario government is investing up to \$380,000 in Canadian Women & Sport's The Next Play program to create more opportunities for girls to be active.
 - In response to County Councillor Lynch the CAO noted she would speak to the Director of Recreation and determined if we have applied to this program.
- Page 23 The Ontario government is investing \$750,000 this year to improve accessibility and support people of all ages and abilities throughout the province. Through the Inclusive Community Grants Program, 15 projects will receive funding to improve community life for older Ontarians and people with disabilities.
 - In response to County Councillor Lynch, the CAO noted she would speak to the Director of Recreation and determined if we have applied to this program.
- Page 71 Attention New Home Buyers The Affordable Homeownership Program can provide up to \$25,000 towards the purchase of a new home for qualified households. Applications are currently open and are available on the County of Renfrew website or can be requested by contacting a Community Services office. Last year new homeowners in the County received \$113,400. Of note, nobody from Arnprior received this funding.
- Page 71 The Ontario Renovates Program can provide up to \$10,000 for essential household repairs or accessibility upgrades. Last year Renfrew County total was \$92,850.60. Of note, nobody from Arnprior received funding.
- Page 82 The province is conducting a survey to inform the creation of a Rural Economic Development Strategy.
 - In response to County Councillor Lynch, the CAO noted that a staff member has taken part in this survey.

b) Correspondence Package – A-24-Mar-05

Resolution Number 107-24 Moved by Billy Denault Seconded by Chris Couper

That the Correspondence Package Number. A-24-MAR-05 be received, and that the recommendation(s) outlined be brought forward for Council's consideration.

15. By-laws & Resolutions

a) By-laws

Resolution Number 108-24 Moved by Billy Denault Seconded by Dan Lynch

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

- i. By-law No. 7473-24 Authorize Early Payment Agreement for Development Charges (12 Thomas Street)
- ii. By-law No. 7474-24 Appoint Peter Anas to the Committee of Adjustment/ Property Standards Committee
- iii. By-law No. 7475-24 Mutual Aid Assistance Agreement for Ontario Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network (OnWARN)

Resolution Carried

b) Resolutions

i. Municipal Grants Application – Arnprior Lions Club Spring Vendor Market and 2024 Walk for Dog Guides

Resolution Number 109-24 Moved by Billy Denault Seconded by Chris Couper **That** Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior receive the Municipal Grant request from the Arnprior Lions Club; and

Whereas the Arnprior Lions Club is an eligible organization under the Municipal Grants Policy and raises funds for local community initiatives and programs;

Whereas the Spring Vendor Market is a fundraising event focused on supporting the programs and services of the Arnprior Lions Club;

Whereas the Walk for Dog Guides is an annual event that raises awareness and funds for the Lions Foundation of Canada's Dog Guide Program which, in turn, aims to provide service dogs to individuals with disabilities at no cost;

Therefore Be It Resolved That Council approve the request for:

- (a) Waiving Nick Smith Centre Community Hall rental fees (value of approximately \$170.00 plus HST) for the 2024 Spring Vendor Market to be held on April 29th, 2024; and
- (b) Waiving Robert Simpson Park Gazebo rental fees (value of approximately \$120.50 plus HST) for the 2024 Walk for Dog Guides to be held on May 11th, 2024; and

Further That the Amprior Lions Club be advised that it is mandatory to carry sufficient liability insurance and have the Town of Amprior added as an additional insured for their events.

ii. Municipal Grants Application – Arnprior-Braeside-McNab Seniors At Home Program Inc. (Christmas Craft Fair)

Resolution Number 110-24 Moved by Billy Denault Seconded by Dan Lynch **That** Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior receive the Municipal Grant request from the Arnprior-Braeside-McNab Seniors At Home Program Inc; and

Whereas the Arnprior-Braeside-McNab Seniors At Home Program Inc is an eligible organization under the Municipal Grants Policy and provides home support services, transportation services and social opportunities that act to enhance the quality of life of local seniors and individuals with special needs;

Whereas the Christmas Craft Fair is an annual fundraising event that contributes to the overall operations of Seniors At Home;

Therefore Be It Resolved That Council approve the request for waiving the Nick Smith Centre Community Hall rental fees (value of approximately \$357.50 plus HST) for the Christmas Craft Fair to be held on November 23rd, 2024; and

Further That the Amprior-Braeside-McNab Seniors At Home Program Inc be advised that it is mandatory to carry sufficient liability insurance and have the Town of Amprior added as an additional insured for their events.

Resolution Carried

iii. Request for Support – Arnprior Regional Health Foundation – Water Bill Insert in July/August 2024 Water Bills

Resolution Number 111-24 Moved by Billy Denault Seconded by Chris Toner **That** Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior receive the correspondence from the Arnprior Regional Health Foundation; and

Whereas the Arnprior Regional Health Foundation has included a Community Update as a water bill insert in previous years to reach all local homes, share updates on their programming and provide an opportunity for local residents to give back to healthcare in a meaningful way; and

Further That Council approves the request from the Arnprior Regional Health Foundation to include a letter from the ARH Foundation in the July/August 2024 utility bill mailing to be delivered to homes in early September 2024 at no cost to the ARH Foundation.

iv. Request for Support – Women's Sexual Assault Centre of Renfrew County – 2024 "We Stand with Survivors" Campaign Banner

Resolution Number 112-24 Moved by Billy Denault Seconded by Chris Toner **That** the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior receive the correspondence from the Women's Sexual Assault Centre of Renfrew County;

Whereas the Women's Sexual Assault Centre of Renfrew County is continuing to work on a Status of Women Canada Project, creating a rural model for female survivors of sexual abuse/assault with the hope of sharing this model across Canada; and

Whereas one of the components of the completed model will be a yearly campaign entitled "We Stand with Survivors", with this year being the 6th annual event; and

Therefore Be It Resolved That Council agrees to hang the "We Stand with Survivors" banner for the month of May 2024 in the municipality; and

Further That Council direct the CAO to work with Town staff to find the most suitable location to hang this banner; and

Further That this resolution be forwarded to the Status Project Coordinator of the Women's Sexual Assault Center Renfrew County.

Resolution Carried

16. Announcements

County Councillor Lynch made the following announcement(s):

- Residents are reminded that there are two opportunities to comment on the Transportation Master Plans:
 - County of Renfrew Tuesday March 26th, 2024 at 6pm
 - Town of Arnprior Wednesday March 27th, 2024 at 6pm
 - Councillor Couper further noted the information for how to attend these sessions can be found on the Town's website.
- The Steelheads & Strikes renovation project by Bryan Baeumler will be on HGTV and STACK TV airing on March 31 at 10:00 p.m.
- There is a "Let's Do It For Glenn" fundraising dinner and dance on April 6, 2024 at 5 p.m. at the Parrish Hall. Tickets are available from Darrel O'Shaughnessy, Ed Reid, and Lori Van Wyk.

17. Media Questions

None

18. Closed Session

Resolution Number 113-24 (8:18 pm) Moved by Billy Denault Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council move into Closed Session regarding:

- One (1) matter pursuant to Section 239 (2) (b) of the Municipal Act, 2001 to discuss personal matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees (Senior of the Year Award); and
- One (1) matter pursuant to Section 239 (2) (c) of the Municipal Act, 2001 to discuss a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (Land Purchase).

Resolution Carried

Resolution Number 114-24 (8:39 pm) Moved by Chris Couper Seconded by Billy Denault That Council resume to Open Session.

Resolution Carried

Resolution Number 115-24 Moved by Chris Couper Seconded by Dan Lynch That Council direct staff to move forward as directed in Closed Session regarding the selection and presentation of the 2024 Senior of the Year Award to Paul Helm; and

Further That Council direct staff to proceed as directed in closed session in regard to the Land Purchase.

Resolution Carried

19. Confirmatory By-Law

Resolution Number 116-24 Moved by Billy Denault Seconded by Chris Toner **That** By-law No. 7476-24 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held on March 25, 2024 and it is hereby enacted and passed.

Resolution Carried

20. Adjournment

Resolution Number 117-24 Moved by Billy Denault Seconded by Dan Lynch **That** this meeting of Council be adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Signatures

⊬isa McGee, Mayor

Kaila Zamojski, Town Clerk