

**MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE –
PUBLIC WORKS, ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES & FACILITIES
MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2017
6:30 PM
SPENCERVILLE MUNICIPAL OFFICE**

Present: Councillor Michael Barrett, Chair
Mayor Pat Sayeau
Deputy Mayor Peggy Taylor
Councillor Gerry Morrell
Councillor Karie Smail
Hugh Cameron, Advisory Member
Mark Packwood, Advisory Member

Staff: Deb McKinstry, CAO/Clerk
Dave Grant, Director of Operations
Rebecca Williams, Deputy Clerk

1. Call to Order

Councillor Barrett called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: K. Smail seconded by: H. Cameron that Committee approves the agenda as presented.

Carried

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest & the General Nature Thereof

Councillor Smail declared an interest in item 7c) as she resides on the street that is subject to the proposed rehabilitation project.

4. Business Arising from Previous Public Works, Environmental Services & Facilities Committee Minutes (if any)

Councillor Morrell provided an update from recent news reports regarding the Smiths Falls recreation agreement with its neighbours. Councillor Morrell enquired about the status of the Corner Park Development Project in Spencerville.

Councillor Smail asked if there has been anymore discussion about a large item garbage pickup. It was noted that a large item pickup is expensive and would need to be considered in the 2018 budget.

5. Delegations & Presentations

a) Brockville General Hospital – Phase II Redevelopment Project

Mr. Beattie introduced Ms. Despatie, Mr. Empey, Mr. Vlacholias, who is the new CEO, and the Brockville General Hospital Foundation group to Committee and highlighted that Ms. Despatie has been spearheading the funding initiative and reaching out to Councils in the area for their support. Mr. Beattie noted that the Brockville General Hospital Foundation group is here to seek support from Council for the UCLG contribution of \$2,125,000.00. to the community funding model.

Ms. Despatie highlighted that the new wing at the Brockville General Hospital (BGH) will double the size of their current footprint and support environmental and accessibility concerns. Ms. Despatie outlined that there will be 93 beds in the new wing, which will bring the total number of beds at BGH to 170. Ms. Despatie noted that the BGH Foundation has set up a showroom at the 1000 Islands Mall to display the concept designs of the exterior building and inpatient rooms. The project timeline was provided, noting that the tender will be awarded in the fall of 2017 and the construction completion and occupancy of the new wing planned by the fall of 2020.

Ms. Despatie highlighted the health care benefits and economic impact of expanding BGH, specifically noting that the expansion will result in BGH consolidating all hospital services to one site and will result in jobs as a result of the construction project. Ms. Despatie explained the total percentage of emergency visits and inpatient cases divided among the UCLG, City of Brockville, other Leeds Grenville Municipalities and Municipalities outside of Leeds Grenville that access the hospital. It was noted that the UCLG equates to approximately 25% of the total cases, with approximately 42% of residents in Edwardsburgh Cardinal who access BGH care. Ms. Despatie provided an overview of the community share funding model, noting that 90% of the total project is being funded by the provincial government and the last 10% by the BGH Foundation and community funding.

Members enquired about the total number of beds that would be dedicated to youth mental health and addiction services. Committee asked if a per capita cost has been calculated out for the municipalities and if the UCLG has funded development at the Kemptonville District Hospital in the past. Members voiced their concerns about potential job loss due to ward closures and previous deficits. Ms. Despatie confirmed that the expansion is a sustainable project, with the province investing 90% of the total cost.

Committee enquired if there would be value achieved if BGH sold the Garden Street Site. It was noted that BGH does not own the Garden Street facility. Committee noted that County Council is discussing an increase to the County

taxation levy of 1% to fund the UCLG community share. Members asked if BGH would consider designating parking for volunteer drivers.

Committee thanked Ms. Despatie and fellow colleagues for the presentation.

b) Robert McNeill – Outdoor Furnace Complaint

Mr. McNeill, a resident of Jochem Road, was present to inform Committee of his complaint with respect to his neighbour's use of an outdoor furnace to heat a pool and the resulting smoke that is affecting his family. Mr. McNeill believes that his neighbour was burning garbage and unseasoned wood in the furnace, which resulted in smoke and a bad smell. He noted that the current by-laws do not appear to address his concern about someone using an outdoor furnace to heat a pool during the summer and that this use should be considered as an open burn fire and included in the 2016-04 by-law regulating open burning.

Committee noted that by-law 2002-19 addresses outdoor furnaces, and that the furnace in question was installed prior to the by-law being implemented. Members confirmed that the Fire Chief has been in contact with the neighbour, who has stopped burning until seasoned wood arrives. Committee suggested that the current open burn by-law may need to be reviewed in the future to address concerns. Committee confirmed that the outdoor furnace is located in a rural area and that it is used to heat the home during the fall/winter months.

6. Discussion Items – None

7. Action/Information Items

a) Municipal Infrastructure Project Bundling Initiative

The Committee reviewed the bundling initiative and noted that the project provides the opportunity to explore possible cost savings and improve municipal infrastructure. Staff confirmed that an updated bridge and culvert assessment is scheduled to be presented at the September meeting.

Moved by: K. Smail seconded by: P. Taylor that Committee recommends that Council adopt a resolution to participate with the Ontario Government, OGRA and RCCAO in the feasibility initiative of bundling bridge and culvert work into one large project.

Carried

b) Sewer Charges on Pool Filling

Committee received and reviewed the report. Members discussed reviewing the current sewer charges for the filling of pools and consensus was not to revisit By-law 2013-69 to regulate the water and sewer services. It was noted that filling a

pool via the Township water and sewer system is still much more cost effective than hiring a commercial water hauler.

c) OCIF Top Up Component Program Launch

Councillor Smail did not participate or vote on the matter.

Committee commented on the Walker Street project and the use of Municipal Advocacy Solutions services to assist with enhancing the application.

Moved by: P. Sayeau seconded by: P. Taylor that Committee recommends that Council:

1. Endorse the Walker Street Rehabilitation as the selected project eligible for the 2017 OCIF top-up application based component; and
2. Direct staff to prepare and submit an application under the 2017 intake prior to the September 27th, 2017 deadline.

Carried

d) Water Tower Exterior Overcoat Award

Committee highlighted the cost differential in the quotes submitted and confirmed that Landmark Municipal Services is familiar with this specialized field and the Township's facilities. Members noted that the Township received funding for four projects through the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund, including this one.

Moved by: G. Morrell seconded by: P. Sayeau that Committee recommends that Council:

1. Award the rehabilitation of the exterior overcoat of the elevated tower shell and cone surface to Landmark Municipal Services in the amount of \$132,900.00 plus tax; and
2. Direct staff to enter into a contract agreement for the completion of the work; and
3. Approve a 5% contingency to be used at the Director of Operations discretion, should any unforeseen or potential issues arise during the project.

Carried

e) Municipal Asset Naming/Renaming Policy

Committee reviewed the Municipal Asset Naming/Renaming policy and suggested that a clause should be included that Council may consider the possible cost to residents associated with the renaming of municipal streets/roads, including the number of addresses that could be affected. Members noted a typographical error in Section 6.

Members asked for clarification with respect to Schedule B when applications are to be reviewed by the department manager when the naming/renaming submission is directly related to their department.

Moved by: P. Sayeau seconded by: H. Cameron that Committee defer the adoption of the Municipal Naming/Renaming Policy to the September meeting to review the policy with the suggested changes included.

Carried

8. Councillor Inquiries/Notices of Motion

Deputy Mayor Taylor enquired about the start date and time for adult skating at the Cardinal arena. Deputy Mayor Taylor requested that staff provide an update with respect to the roof condensation in the Cardinal arena at the September meeting.

9. Mayor's Report

Mayor Sayeau reported the following:

- Bluegrass Festival took place over the past weekend, with Councillor Morrell being the Master of Ceremonies for the event. Looking forward to a report from the Bluegrass Festival on the success of the event
- Met with Giant Tiger to discuss various matters including their concerns about the need for traffic lights on County Rd 2. A council resolution of support will be requested next week.
- Canoe/Kayak Poker Run taking place on Saturday August 26.
- Councillor Morrell will be attending the Summer Company dinner on the Mayors behalf.
- Attending a meeting on August 22 with respect to the SLCEDC.

10. Question Period

Questions/comments were raised with respect to the following:

- Entertain public meetings in Cardinal, Johnstown and Spencerville with respect to ED19
- Concerns with changes to Question Period during the Procedural By-law Review
- Compare 1990 Official Plan and Certificate of Approval for ED19 to 2011 Official Plan policies.
- Suggested that the Conservation Authority be present for ED19 public meetings
- Questions with respect to number of new beds in the BGH expansion and the costs on a per bed basis
- Expansion of ED19 control mechanisms
- Use of incinerator at ED19 site instead of landfill

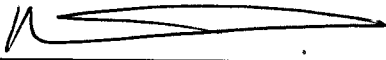
11. Closed Session – None

12. Adjournment

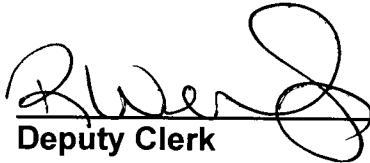
Moved by: H. Cameron seconded by: M. Packwood that Committee does now adjourn at 8:41 pm.

Carried

These minutes were approved in open Council this 28th day of August, 2017.



Chair



Deputy Clerk