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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

July 17, 2024

A regular meeting of the Council of the County of Frontenac was held in the Frontenac Room of the County Administrative Office, 2069 Battersea Road, Glenburnie on Wednesday, July 17, 2024 at 9:30 AM

Present: Warden Ron Vandewal, Deputy Warden Fran Smith, Councillors Fred Fowler, Nicki Gowdy, Judy Greenwood-Speers, Ray Leonard, Gerry Lichty, and Bill Saunders

Also Present:

County:

Kelly Pender, Chief Administrative Officer

Gale Chevalier, Chief/Director of Emergency & Transportation Services

Joe Gallivan, Director of Planning and Economic Development

Alex Lemieux, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer

Susan Brant, Administrator-Fairmount Home

Barb McCulloch, Director of Human Resources

Jannette Amini, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk

Proclamations

a) Open Farm Days

August 16 to September 30, 2024

Motion #: 121-24 Moved By: Councillor Leonard

Seconded By: Councillor Lichty

Whereas the County of Frontenac recognizes the importance of agriculture in the region; and,

Whereas Frontenac County believes a strong agricultural economy is essential for enduring communities, for the health of our residents, and to establish a strong community in support of food security for our citizens as well as our businesses, and organizations; and,

Whereas Frontenac County has a vision of a strong agriculture community that is rooted in the character of Frontenac and its residents: welcoming, natural, healthy, clean, tranquil, entrepreneurial, and rural by choice and conviction; and

Whereas the County of Frontenac is committed to supporting agriculture to grow businesses, attract more visitors and expand the tax base;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That the Council of the Corporation of the County of Frontenac hereby declares August 16 to September 30, 2024, as Open Farm Days in Frontenac County, and reminds individuals of the importance of this six-week celebration which supports local agriculture and food businesses in our communities

And Further That the County encourages all residents to support local farms and food businesses by participating in this series of events.

Carried

Move into Committee of the Whole

Motion #: 122-24 Moved By: Councillor Greenwood-Speers

Seconded By: Deputy Warden Vandewal

That Council adjourn and meet as Committee of the Whole Council, with the Deputy Warden in the Chair.

Carried

Briefings

- a) **Mr. Kevin Farrell, Chief Administrative Officer, provided Council with his monthly CAO briefing.**

Unfinished Business

Consent Reports from the Chief Administrative Officer

All items listed on the Consent Reports from the Chief Administrative Officer shall be the subject of one motion. Any member may ask for any item(s) included in the Consent Reports from the Chief Administrative Officer to be separated from that motion, whereupon the Consent Reports from the Chief Administrative Officer without the separated item(s) shall be put and the separated item(s) shall be considered immediately thereafter.

Motion #: 123-24 Moved By: Councillor Gowdy

Seconded By: Councillor Fowler

That Council consent to the approval of Reports a) through d) the are considered routine items

Carried

Consent Reports

a) **2024-072**

Corporate Services

Approval of a Municipal Tree Canopy Policy

Motion #:

Be It Resolved That Report 2024-072 Requirement for Municipal Tree Canopy Policy be received;

And Further That the Clerk be directed to bring forward a by-law later in the meeting hereby confirming that the policies set out in the following sections of the County Official Plan shall constitute the policy as require by Section 270(1) 7 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* the tree protection and enhancement policies:

- a. **Section 2.1.3** establishes the definition of and encourages ‘good forestry practices’ to ensure a sustainable forestry industry in the County. This typically translates to no clear cutting, establishing mitigation measures, and areas of protection.
- b. **Section 7.1.3** establishes objectives to protect and enhance the natural heritage system. A healthy tree canopy is part of the natural heritage system.
- c. **Section 7.1.4.6** establishes policies for the protection of significant woodlands.
- d. **Section 7.1.4.8** establishes polices for the protection of natural linkages and biodiversity areas.

- e. **Section 7.1.4.10** sets out enabling policies that allow staff to request an environmental impact study to delineate, characterize, analyze, and plan for the protection of natural heritage systems and its components in the development review process.

Carried

b) 2024-073

Office of the Chief Administrative Officer

Support for EORN and 2B Developments (Rual Impact), Localizing Communal Servicing Project CMHC Housing Supply Challenge

Motion #:

Be It Resolved That the Council of the County of Frontenac offer its supports for EORN and 2B Developments (Rual Impact), Localizing Communal Servicing Project CMHC Housing Supply Challenge; **And Further That** the Chief Administrative Officer, on behalf of the County of Frontenac, be authorized to issue a letter of support.

Carried

c) 2024-075

Corporate Services

Canada Community Building Fund Agreement 2024-2033

Motion #:

Be It Resolved That the Council of the County of Frontenac receive the Corporate Services – Canada Community Building Fund Agreement 2024-2033 report;

Management Plan

Motion #: 126-24 Moved By: Councillor Leonard

Seconded By: Councillor Greenwood-Speers

Be It Resolved That the Council of the County of Frontenac approve the 2024 County of Frontenac Energy Conservation and Demand Management (ECDM) Plan attached to this report as Appendix A.

And Further That Staff bring back a report to Council for future considerations on how the County can implement the recommendations within the ECDM plan

Carried

c) **2024-074**

Planning and Economic Development

Futures Grant Award and Partnership Agreement with Frontenac Business Services for Operational Review of Medical Clinics in Frontenac County

Motion #: 127-24 Moved By: Councillor Gowdy

Seconded By: Councillor Saunders

Whereas an application was filed with the Frontenac Business Services 20th Anniversary – Futures Grant funding to support the Operational Review of Medical Clinics in Frontenac County.

Therefore Be It Resolved That the Warden and the Clerk be authorized to enter into a partnership agreement with Frontenac Business Service for \$5,000, and

Be It Resolved That the Council of the County of Frontenac authorize the Warden and Clerk to execute an agreement with the Township of Frontenac Islands for the Removal of Boarding Restrictions and Indemnification of the County of Frontenac for the Howe Island Ferry;

And Further That the removal of boarding restrictions take effect commencing Monday, July 22, 2024.

Carried

f) **2024-080**

K&P Trail

Central Frontenac Request for Trailhead Funding to support the construction of an accessible washroom at the Sharbot Lake Beach

Motion #: 130-24 Moved By: Councillor Greenwood-Speers

Seconded By: Councillor Gowdy

Be It Resolved That the Council of the County of Frontenac acknowledge the request from the Township of Central Frontenac for Trailhead funding to support the construction of an accessible washroom at the Sharbot Lake Beach;

And Further That staff be directed to develop criteria for establishing trailheads and for considering funding requests for the development of trailheads;

And Further That the draft trailhead criteria and funding mechanisms be reviewed by the Planning and Economic Development Advisory Committee.

Carried

Information Reports from the Chief Administrative Officer

Communications

That Council consent to the following communications of interest to Council listed below be received and filed:

- a) **Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus Municipal Infrastructure Policy Paper**
[Distributed to Members of County Council June 28, 2024]

- b) **From the City of Brantford regarding the Support for the Decision of the Ontario Energy Board to End the Gas Letter**
[Distributed to Members of County Council June 28, 2024]

- c) **From the EOWC regarding the June 2024 Newsletter Release of Infrastructure Paper and Strategic Plan**
[Distributed to Members of County Council June 28, 2024]

- d) **From the Municipality of Tween regarding a Resolution sustainable funding for OPP costs**
[Distributed to Members of County Council June 28, 2024]

- e) **From the Town of Cobalt regarding a Resolution on Asset Retirement Obligation**
[Distributed to Members of County Council June 28, 2024]

- f) From the Township of North Glengarry regarding a Resolution concerning the impending debt dilemma of rural municipalities**
[Distributed to Members of County Council June 28, 2024]

- g) From the City of Pickering regarding a Resolution on Water Testing Services for Private Drinking Water**
[Distributed to Members of County Council July 5, 2024]

- h) From the City of St. Catharines regarding a Resolution on the Green Roads Pilot Project**
[Distributed to Members of County Council July 5, 2024]

- i) From the County of Northumberland regarding a Resolution concerning Catch and Release Justice**
[Distributed to Members of County Council July 5, 2024]

- j) From the County of Northumberland regarding a Resolution on Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities**
[Distributed to Members of County Council July 5, 2024]

- k) From the County of Northumberland regarding a Resolution to Support a Social and Economic Prosperity Review**
[Distributed to Members of County Council July 5, 2024]

- l) From the Municipality of Leamington regarding a Resolution for Regulations to Restrict Keeping of Non-native wild animals**
[Distributed to Members of County Council July 5, 2024]

- m) From the Town of Kearney regarding a Resolution for the Government to Implement Sustainable Infrastructure**
[Distributed to Members of County Council July 5, 2024]

- n) From the Town of Tecumseh regarding a Resolution on Affordability of Water and Wastewater Systems**
[Distributed to Members of County Council July 5, 2024]

- o) From the Town of Tecumseh regarding a Resolution for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities**
[Distributed to Members of County Council July 5, 2024]

- p) From the Township of New Tecumseth regarding a Resolution on the Phasing Out Free Water Testing for Private Wells**
[Distributed to Members of County Council July 5, 2024]

- q) From the Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan regarding Regulations for Importation and Safe Use of Lithium-ion Batteries**
[Distributed to Members of County Council July 5, 2024]

- r) **From AMO requesting support for resolution on Campaign regarding Physician Shortage in Ontario**
[Distributed to Members of County Council July 12, 2024]

- s) **From the Municipality of East Ferris regarding a Regulations for Importation and Safe Use of Lithium-ion Batteries**
[Distributed to Members of County Council July 12, 2024]

- t) **From the Town of Petrolia regarding a Resolution to support fee increases for family doctors**
[Distributed to Members of County Council July 12, 2024]

- u) **From the Township of Terrace Bay regarding a Resolution concerning Sustainable Funding for OPP**
[Distributed to Members of County Council July 12, 2024]

- v) **Invitation to Open Farm Days 2024**
[Distributed to Members of County Council July 12, 2024]

Other Business

By-Laws – General By-laws and Confirmatory By-law

a) First and Second Reading

Motion #: 134-24 Moved By: Councillor Greenwood-Speers

Seconded By: Councillor Leonard

Resolved That leave be given the mover to introduce by-laws b) through g) that have been circulated to all Members of County Council and that by-laws b) through g) be read a first and second time.

Carried

b) Third Reading

Motion #: 135-24 Moved By: Councillor Greenwood-Speers

Seconded By: Councillor Leonard

Resolved That by-laws a) through g) be read a third time, signed, sealed and finally passed.

Carried

By-Laws

- a) To declare lands Legally Described as Part Lot 12, Concession 2, being Part 1 of Registered Plan 13R22990, Geographic Township of Hinchinbrooke, Township of Central Frontenac, Surplus for the purpose of granting a right-of-way over part of the K&P Trail.**

[Proposed By-law No. 2024-018]

- b) To Adopt a Policy with Respect to the Manner in which the Corporation of the County of Frontenac will Protect and Enhance the Tree Canopy and Natural Vegetation in the Municipality**

[Proposed By-law No. 2024-021]

- c) To authorize the execution of a partnership agreement with Frontenac Business Service for \$5,000**

[Proposed By-law No. 2024-022]

- d) To Authorize the Warden and Clerk to Execute a Municipal Funding Agreement with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for the Transfer of the Canada Community Building Fund to 2033**

[Proposed By-law No. 2024-023]

- e) To Authorize the Warden and Clerk to Execute an Agreement with the Township of Frontenac Islands for the Removal of Boarding Restrictions and Indemnification of the County of Frontenac for the Howe Island Ferry**

[Proposed By-law No. 2024-024]

- f) To Authorize the Warden and Clerk to Execute an Amending Agreement for the easement agreement across K&P Trail at 13823 Road 38; located at Lot 10, Concession 1, being Part 11 of Registered Plan 13R21601, Geographic Township of Oso, Township of Central Frontenac to permit underground utility access across the K&P Trail.**

[Proposed By-law No. 2024-025]

