



The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town of LaSalle Council held on

January 11, 2022

6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers, LaSalle Civic Centre, 5950 Malden Road

Members of Council Present:

Deputy Mayor Crystal Meloche, Councillor Michael Akpata, Councillor Mark Carrick, Councillor Sue Desjarlais, Councillor Jeff Renaud, Councillor Anita Riccio-Spagnuolo

Members of Council Absent:

Mayor Marc Bondy

Administration Present:

J. Milicia, Chief Administrative Officer, P. Marra, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, J. Astrologo, Director of Council Services/Clerk, D. Langlois, Director of Finance and Treasurer, R. Hyra, Director of Human Resources, P. Funaro, Director of Culture & Recreation, D. Hadre, Director of Strategy and Engagement, J. Osborne, Director of Public Works, L. Jean, Deputy Clerk, E. Thiessen, Director of Fire Service/Fire Chief, D. Davies, Chief of Police, N. DiGesù, Manager of IT, D. Dadalt, Legal Counsel, A. Toole, Executive Assistant to the Director of Council Services/Clerk

Clerk's Note: Members of Council and all of Administration participated in the Meeting electronically via video conference technology.

A. Opening Business

1. Call to Order

Deputy Mayor Meloche calls the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

2. Land Acknowledgement Statement

The Deputy Mayor Meloche reads the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

3. Moment of Silence and Playing of National Anthem

4. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

5. Adoption of Minutes

001/22

Moved by: Councillor Renaud

Seconded by: Councillor Riccio-Spagnuolo

That the Minutes of the Closed and Regular Meetings of Council held December 14, 2021, and the Minutes of the Budget Meeting held December 15, 2021 be adopted as presented.

Carried.

6. Mayors Comments

Mayor Bondy sends regrets.

B. Presentations

1. CWATS Master Plan Update

Diana Radulescu, Active Transportation Coordinator, and Jerry Behl, Manager of Transportation from the County of Essex, appear via Zoom to present their report regarding the County Wide Active Transportation System Master Plan Update.

002/22

Moved by: Councillor Renaud

Seconded by: Councillor Akpata

That the presentation and report from the County of Essex regarding the County Wide Active Transportation System be received for information.

Carried.

C. Public Meetings and/or Hearings

D. Delegations

E. Reports/Correspondence for Council Action

1. Benoit House Museum Strategic Plan

Alysson Storey, Communications and Planning Specialist from ADS Consulting Group, appears via Zoom to present a report.

003/22

Moved by: Councillor Riccio-Spagnuolo

Seconded by: Councillor Desjarlais

That the report of the Director of Culture and Recreation dated November 28, 2021 (CR-2021-38) regarding the Benoit House Museum Strategic Plan be received; and that the Benoit House Strategic Plan be approved.

Carried.

2. Healing Hearts Forest Sponsorship

Jennifer Wells, General Manager at Families First, appears as a delegation via Zoom to provide her support for the proposed project and thanks Council, on behalf of Families First and the Parents, for the consideration.

004/22

Moved by: Councillor Desjarlais

Seconded by: Councillor Renaud

That the report of the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer dated December 17, 2021 (AD-21-2021) regarding the Healing Hearts Forest Sponsorship be received; that Council approves the sponsorship and directs Administration to prepare the necessary agreements, with a view to completing the project by the end of 2022; and that Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute the applicable agreement(s).

Carried.

F. Committee Matters for Council Action

G. Information Items to be Received

1. Correspondence from the Township of Mulmur dated December 13, 2021 regarding Truth and Reconciliation Actions

005/22

Moved by: Councillor Desjarlais

Seconded by: Councillor Akpata

That correspondence dated December 13, 2021 from the Township of Mulmur regarding Truth and Reconciliation Actions be received.

Carried.

2. Correspondence from Tay Valley Township dated December 15, 2021 regarding Province Wide Assessment Update

006/22

Moved by: Councillor Renaud

Seconded by: Councillor Desjarlais

That correspondence from Tay Valley Township dated December 15, 2021 regarding Province Wide Assessment update be received.

Carried.

3. Correspondence from the Town of Kingsville dated December 17, 2021 regarding Letter of Instruction from the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit

007/22

Moved by: Councillor Riccio-Spagnuolo

Seconded by: Councillor Akpata

That correspondence from the Town of Kingsville dated December 17, 2021 regarding Letter of Instruction from the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit be received.

Carried.

4. Howard/Bouffard Master Drainage Study Update

Shawn Maheux, resident at 2865 Bouffard Road, appears as a delegation via Zoom and speaks to his frustration as to the delay with the project and the impending expropriation of his property. He requests that the Town advise as soon as possible whether his property will be required as part of the project.

David Lynn, resident at 2945 Bouffard Road, appears as a delegation via Zoom and asks the Town to consider how it can address the worries of residents whose properties may be subject to expropriation while the Study proceeds slowly, and requests that Council direct Administration to expedite the process and immediately re-engage with the residents to find a mutually acceptable solution.

008/22

Moved by: Councillor Desjarlais

Seconded by: Councillor Carrick

That the report of the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer dated December 17, 2021 (AD-16-2021) regarding the Howard/Bouffard Master Drainage Study update be received.

Carried.

5. Development Charge Indexing

009/22

Moved by: Councillor Renaud

Seconded by: Councillor Riccio-Spagnuolo

That the report of the Director of Finance dated December 16, 2021 (FIN-01-2022) regarding Development Charge Indexing be received.

Carried.

6. 4th Quarter Property Tax Write Offs

010/22

Moved by: Councillor Riccio-Spagnuolo

Seconded by: Councillor Renaud

That the report of the Supervisor of Revenue dated December 6, 2021 (FIN-39-2021) regarding the 4th Quarter Property Tax Write Offs be received.

Carried.

7. November 2021 Financial Statements and Financial Reports

011/22

Moved by: Councillor Akpata

Seconded by: Councillor Carrick

That the report of the Supervisor of Accounting dated December 13, 2021 (FIN-41-2021) regarding the November 2021 Financial Statements and Write Offs be received.

8. Summary of Reports to Council

012/22

Moved by: Councillor Carrick

Seconded by: Councillor Akpata

That the Report of the Chief Administrative Officer dated January 11, 2022 being a Summary of Reports to Council be received

Carried.

H. By-laws

013/22

Moved by: Councillor Desjarlais

Seconded by: Councillor Akpata

That By-law Numbers 8657 to 8660 be given a first, second, and third reading and finally passed:

8657 A By-law to authorize the execution of Amending Agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada as represented by the Minister responsible for the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario and The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle under the Canada Community Revitalization Fund

8658 A By-law to adopt the Budget for the year 2022

8659 A By-law to levy and collect a portion of the taxes for the year 2022

8660 A By-law to authorize the borrowing of \$28,050,000 for current expenditures under Section 407 of the Municipal Act and to authorize the temporary borrowing for works under Section 405 of the Municipal Act for the 2022 fiscal year

Carried.

I. Council Questions

J. Statements by Council Members

Councillor Akpata says that he has received several compliments from the public with respect to the light display at Holiday Lights Heritage Nights events and extends his appreciation and thanks to everyone who worked hard to make the events happen.

K. Reports from Committees

L. Notices of Motion

M. Motion to Move into Closed Session

N. Confirmatory By-law

014/22

Moved by: Councillor Renaud

Seconded by: Councillor Riccio-Spagnuolo

That confirmatory By-law 8661 be given a first reading.

Carried.

015/22

Moved by: Councillor Akpata

Seconded by: Councillor Desjarlais

That confirmatory By-law 8661 be given a second reading.

Carried.

016/22

Moved by: Councillor Carrick

Seconded by: Councillor Renaud

That confirmatory By-law 8661 be given a third and final reading and finally passed.

Carried.

O. Schedule of Meetings

Police Services Board Committee Meeting, January 17, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.

Police Services Board Public Meeting, January 17, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

By-law Committee Meeting, January 18, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

Committee of Adjustment Meeting, January 19, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

Fire Committee Meeting, January 20, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

Water and Waste Water Committee Meeting, January 25, 2022 prior to Regular Council Meeting

Regular Meeting of Council, January 25, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

P. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at the call of the Chair 7:36 PM.

Deputy Mayor

Clerk