

The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town of LaSalle Council

July 23, 2024 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers, LaSalle Civic Centre, 5950 Malden Road

Members of Council Present:

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

Administration Present:

J. Milicia, Chief Administrative Officer, P. Marra, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, G. Beggs, Director of Planning and Development, P. Funaro, Director of Culture & Recreation, D. Hadre, Director of Strategy and Engagement, R. Hyra, Director of Human Resources, D. Langlois, Director of Finance and Treasurer, J. Osborne, Director of Public Works, M. Beggs, Manager of Roads & Parks, D. Dadalt, Legal Counsel, G. Ferraro, Manager of Finance & Deputy Treasurer, L. Jean, Deputy Clerk, M. Seguin, Deputy Fire Chief, S. Bisson, Manager of Culture & Recreation, L. Uszynski, Records & Information Management Specialist, S. Smith, IS Administrator

A. Opening Business

1. Call to Order

Mayor Meloche called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Land Acknowledgement Statement

Mayor Meloche read the Land Acknowledgment Statement.

3. Moment of Silent Reflection and Playing of National Anthem

B. Adoption of Agenda

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Moved by: Councillor Riccio-Spagnuolo Seconded by: Councillor Carrick

That the July 23, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried.

C. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None dislcosed.

D. Adoption of Minutes

167/24 Moved by: Councillor Burns Seconded by: Councillor Desjarlais

That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held July 9, 2024, be adopted as presented.

Carried.

E. Mayor's Comments

Mayor Meloche announced that she will be hosting a Mayor on Location event for the second time this year on Thursday, July 25, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Turtle Club, and invited everyone to join. She also stated that the July Night Market is scheduled for this upcoming Sunday, July 28, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the LaSalle Civic Centre.

Mayor Meloche wished LaSalle resident Kylie Masse, a four-time Olympic medalist, good luck as she represents Canada at the upcoming Olympics. She highlighted that Kylie Masse will not only be competing in the 2024 Olympics but has also been named team co-captain of the Canadian Olympic Swimming Team. Mayor Meloche extended congratulations and best wishes to Kylie as the games begin on Friday.

F. Public Meetings and/or Hearings

None.

G. Presentations and Delegations

None.

H. Staff Reports and Correspondence for Council's Action

1. Request from LaSalle Pickleball Association

P. Funaro, Director of Culture and Recreation presented the report.

Dave Bussey, President of the LaSalle Pickleball Association proposed converting two of the tennis courts on Front Road into six pickleball courts.

168/24 Moved by: Councillor Desjarlais Seconded by: Councillor Renaud

That two (2) of the tennis courts located on Front Road be converted to six (6) pickleball courts at the cost of \$10,000 for paint and nets.

Carried.

2. Parks Recreation and Culture Master Plan Contract Award

P. Funaro, Director of Culture and Recreation presented the report.

169/24 Moved by: Councillor Carrick Seconded by: Councillor Renaud

That the report of the Director of Culture and Recreation dated July 3, 2024 (CR-2024-18) regarding the selection of consultants to prepare a Parks, Recreation and Culture Master Plan be received;

And that Monteith Brown Planning Consultants Ltd. (Monteith Brown) be awarded the contract at a cost of \$129,920.00;

And further that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute an agreement between the Town and Monteith Brown.

Carried.

3. 2023 Audited Financial Statements

G. Ferraro, Manager of Finance/Deputy Treasurer presented the report.

K. denBok and E. Pellarin, KPMG, presented the Town of LaSalle 2023 audited financial statements.

170/24 Moved by: Councillor Desjarlais Seconded by: Councillor Renaud

That the report of the Manager of Finance/Deputy Treasurer dated June 12, 2024 (FIN-14-2024) regarding the 2023 Audited Financial Statements be received;

And that Council approves and adopts the 2023 Audited Financial Statements.

Carried.

4. 2024 Asset Management Plan

G. Ferraro, Manager of Finance/Deputy Treasurer presented the report.

171/24 Moved by: Deputy Mayor Akpata Seconded by: Councillor Desjarlais

That the report of the Manager of Finance/Deputy Treasurer dated July 2, 2024 (FIN-15-2024) regarding the 2024 Asset Management Plan be received;

And that Council approves the 2024 Asset Management Plan.

Carried.

5. Asset Management Professional Services

G. Ferraro, Manager of Finance/Deputy Treasurer presented the report.

172/24 Moved by: Councillor Carrick Seconded by: Councillor Renaud

That the report of the Manager of Finance dated July 2, 2024 (FIN-16-2024) regarding the Asset Management Professional Services for the Town of LaSalle 2025 Asset Management Plan be received;

And that Council engages the services of PSD Citywide Inc. to prepare the Town's updated Asset Management Plan;

And that Council authorizes the Manager of Finance/Deputy Treasurer to prepare and sign all the necessary agreements to give effect to that agreement;

And that the costs of this engagement be funded from the Asset Replacement and Repair Reserve.

Carried.

6. Updates to the Routine Disclosure and Active Dissemination Policy

L. Uszynski, Records and Information Management Specialist presented the report.

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Moved by: Councillor Riccio-Spagnuolo Seconded by: Councillor Burns

That the report of the Records and Information Management Specialist dated June 24, 2024 (CS-2024-03) regarding the updates to the Routine Disclosure and Active Dissemination Policy be received;

And that the new Routine Disclosure and Active Dissemination Policy be adopted by Council and the previous version of the policy be repealed;

And that Appendix A of the current User Fee By-Law, 8847, be amended to include the following Council Services Routine Disclosure Fees: Courier/Mail Fee - as charged to the Town, and Storage Media Fee - \$10.00.

Carried.

7. Herb Gray Parkway Land Transfers

J. Osborne, Director of Public Works presented the report.

174/24 Moved by: Councillor Desjarlais Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Akpata

That the report of the Director of Public Works, dated July 3, 2024 (Report PW-26-2024) regarding land transfers of various parcels along the Herb Gray Parkway being transferred back to the Town of LaSalle be received;

And that Council authorizes the transfers of those portions of land along Huron Church Line Road, Chelsea Road, Montgomery Drive, Surrey Road, Grosvenor Road, Homestead Lane and Sandwich West Parkway and adopts the necessary by-laws to give effect to those transfers.

Carried.

8. Summary of Bill 185 Implications for Town of LaSalle

G. Beggs, Director of Planning and Development & D. Langlois, Director of Finance presented the report.

175/24 Moved by: Councillor Riccio-Spagnuolo

Seconded by: Councillor Burns

That the report of the Director of Planning & Development and the Director of Finance (PD-23-2024) dated June 28th, 202*4, regarding Bill 185, Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, 2024*, be received for Council information.

Carried.

I. Consent Agenda

- 1. 2024 Second Quarter Property Tax Write Offs
- 2. Correspondence
 - a. Town of Essex Mobile Home Parks and Land Leased Communities
 - b. City of St. Catharines Greed Roads Pilot Project

- c. Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan Regulations for Importation and Safe Use of Lithium-ion Batteries
- d. AMO Advocacy on Homelessness Encampments
- 3. Summary of Reports to Council

176/24 Moved by: Councillor Desjarlais Seconded by: Councillor Carrick

That items 1 through 3 on the Consent Agenda for July 23, 2024, be received.

Carried.

J. Committee Matters

None.

K. Questions and Statements by Council Members

Deputy Mayor Akpata stated that the Town of Amherstburg is proposing a regional approach to address the matter of phragmites and extended his support on the matter. He further expressed hope that the Town of LaSalle will also support this initiative. Mr. Osborne commented that a collaborative approach among neighbouring municipalities would be beneficial and has no concerns about exploring this approach.

Councillor Renaud inquired about the enforcement of fire regulations in relation to Additional Residential Units (ARUs). Mr. Seguin explained that there are mandatory fire requirements for these types of units. Ms. Beggs added that obtaining a building permit application is required to build an ARU which includes compliance with the Building Code as well as appropriate fire prevention and fire safety provisions.

Mr. Milicia extended congratulations to Lauren Uszynski for her new role as Records Information and Management Specialist as well as Melissa Meloche for her new role as Records Management Clerk. He also extended best wishes to Natalie Sharp who has accepted a new position as Deputy Clerk at a neighbouring municipality.

L. Notices of Motion

None.

M. Closed Session

None.

N. By-laws

177/24 Moved by: Councillor Riccio-Spagnuolo Seconded by: Councillor Desjarlais

That the following By-laws be given a first, second, and third reading and finally passed:

8898 - A By-law to authorize the execution of a Municipal Funding Agreement on the Canada Community-Building Fund between The Association of Municipalities of Ontario and The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle 8902 – A By-law to stop up, close and sell an alley system running north-south lying east of lots 924 to 927, both inclusive, Registered Plan 793, LaSalle

8903 – A By-law to stop up, close and sell an alley system running north-south lying east of lots 104 to 106, both inclusive, Registered Plan 635, and an alley system running east-west lying north of lots 97 to 103, both inclusive, Registered Plan 635; LaSalle

8904 – A By-law to stop up, close and sell an alley system running east-west lying north of lots 220 to 236, both inclusive, Registered Plan 664, LaSalle

8905 – A By-law to authorize the execution of a Lease Extension Agreement between First Canadian Properties Corporation & LaSalle Bella Vista Ltd. and The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle

8907 – A By-law to confirm the transfer of lands between The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle and the Ministry of Transportation

8908 – A By-law to assume certain lands as Part of a Public Highway

Carried.

O. Confirmatory By-law

178/24 Moved by: Councillor Renaud Seconded by: Councillor Burns

That Confirmatory By-law 8909 be given a first, second, and third reading and finally passed.

Carried.

P. Schedule of Meetings

Q. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at the call of the Chair at 7:44 p.m.

Mayor

Clerk