



Date: September 19, 2023
Time: 9:30 A.M.
Location: Haldimand County Administration Building

COUNCIL PRESENT

- S. Bentley, Mayor
- S. Patterson, Councillor
- J. Metcalfe, Councillor
- D. Lawrence, Councillor
- M. Trainer, Councillor
- R. Shirton, Councillor
- P. O'Neill, Councillor

STAFF PRESENT

- C. Case, Interim Chief Administrative Officer
- M. Evers, General Manager, Community & Development Services
- T. Haedrich, General Manager, Engineering & Capital Works
- M. Jamieson, General Manager, Corporate & Social Services
- P. Mete, General Manager, Public Works Operations
- T. Cardwell, Manager, Customer Experience & Communications
- J. Douglas, Senior Planner
- K. Franklin, Manager, Engineering & Capital Works
- J. Gallagher, Manager, Emergency Services/Fire Chief
- L. Romanuk, Manager, Economic Development & Tourism
- S. VanDalen, Manager, Planning & Development
- E. Eichenbaum, Manager, Clerks Division/Municipal Clerk

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bentley called the Council in Committee meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

B. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mayor Bentley read the Land Acknowledgement statement.

C. ROLL CALL

The Mayor and all Members of Council were in attendance.

D. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

E. PUBLIC MEETING FOR PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Councillor Patterson, Chair of Public Meeting for Planning Applications, assumed the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

Prior to commencing the public meeting, the Chair explained the meeting, delegation and appeal process. He noted that decisions made by Committee at this meeting would be given final consideration at the September 25, 2023 Council meeting.

1 PDD-18-2023 Zoning By-law Amendment to Permit Cold Storage Facility

J. Douglas presented the report.

N. Dyjach, agent for the proponent, spoke to the unique nature and challenges related to the property. The proponent also spoke to the specific need for cold storage.

There being no one else present to speak either for or against this application, deliberations concluded with the introduction of the following recommendation.

Recommendation 1

Moved By: Councillor O'Neill

Seconded By: Councillor Metcalfe

1. THAT Report PDD-18-2023 Zoning By-law Amendment to Permit a Cold Storage Facility be received;
2. AND THAT application PLZ-HA-2023-038, for a site specific amendment to the Haldimand County Zoning By-law HC 1-2020, to facilitate the approval of an agriculture related use, a cold storage facility, on the subject lands, be approved for the reasons outlined in Report PDD-18-2023;
3. AND THAT the proposal is deemed to be consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement, 2020 and the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2020;
4. AND THAT the by-law attached to Report PDD-18-2023 be presented for enactment;
5. AND THAT the Holding (H) Provision removal by-law attached to Report PDD-18-2023 be presented for enactment and the General Manager of Community & Development Services be granted authority to remove the Holding (H) Provision when all conditions relating to the matter are satisfactorily addressed.

CARRIED

F. MOTIONS OF CONSENT

None.

G. DEPARTMENTAL STAFF REPORTS

1 COMMUNITY & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Councillor Lawrence, Chair of Community & Development Services, assumed the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

1.1 PDD-17-2023 Information Report for Telecommunication Tower Installation on 4th Line

All members of Council were in agreement to allow the representative for the applicant to speak to this report.

S. Hallig, Planning Coordinator, Shared Tower Inc. spoke to the health and safety measures that are in place, noting that electromagnetic and microwave emissions from telecommunication towers are regulated by Health Canada.

Recommendation 2

Moved By: Councillor O'Neill

Seconded By: Councillor Shirton

1. THAT Report PDD-17-2023 Information Report for Telecommunication Tower Installation on 4th Line be received;
2. AND THAT the proposed location request for a Communications Antenna Facility by Shared Tower at the property identified as Oneida Range EPR Part Lot 11, Haldimand County, roll number 153002058000000 be supported for reasons outlined in Report PDD-17-2023;
3. AND THAT the proposal is deemed to be consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement, 2020, Provincial Growth Plan 2020 and other matters of national and provincial interest, including Industry Canada – Procedure for Radiocommunication and Broadcasting Antenna Systems.

CARRIED

1.2 CDP-08-2023 Request for Temporary Roads By-law

Recommendation 3

Moved By: Councillor Patterson

Seconded By: Councillor Metcalfe

1. THAT Report CDP-08-2023 Request for Temporary Roads By-law be received;
2. AND THAT the Temporary Road Use By-law included as Attachment 3 to Report CDP-08-2023 be presented for enactment pursuant to the Highway Traffic Act, O. Reg 316/03.

CARRIED

1.3 EMS-03-2023 Ambulance Response Time Performance Plan - 2024

Recommendation 4

Moved By: Councillor Metcalfe

Seconded By: Councillor O'Neill

1. THAT Report EMS-03-2023 Ambulance Response Time Performance Plan - 2024 be received;
2. AND THAT the 2024 Ambulance Response Time Performance Plan targets, included as Attachment 1 to Report EMS-03-2023, be adopted and submitted to the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, Emergency Health Services Director in accordance with the *Ambulance Act*, Ontario Regulation 267/08.

CARRIED

1.4 CDS-06-2023 Municipal Housing Pledge and Target

Recommendation 5

Moved By: Councillor Metcalfe

Seconded By: Councillor O'Neill

1. THAT Report CDS-06-2023 Municipal Housing Pledge and Target, be received;
2. AND THAT Option # 1, as outlined in report CDS-06-2023, be approved as it relates to the issuance of a housing target commitment letter from the Head of Council;
3. AND THAT Option # 1, as outlined in report CDS-06-2023, be approved as it relates to the development of a Municipal Housing Pledge.

CARRIED

1.5 Other Business

None.

H. PRESENTATIONS AND CONSIDERATION OF RELATED REPORTS (11:00 A.M.)

Mayor Bentley resumed the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

1 EDT-06-2023 North Caledonia Employment Lands Feasibility and Servicing Study Phase 1

1.1 Adam Fischer, Senior Project Coordinator, Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.

1.2 Benjamin Peachman, Infrastructure Planning, GM BluePlan Engineering Limited

1.3 Mark Zamojc, Infrastructure Planning, GM BluePlan Engineering Limited

A. Fischer and B. Peachman provided an overview of Phase 1 of the North Caledonia Employment Lands Feasibility and Servicing Study.

Recommendation 6

Moved By: Councillor Shirton

Seconded By: Councillor Lawrence

1. THAT Report EDT-06-2023 North Caledonia Employment Lands Feasibility and Servicing Study Phase 1 and accompanying presentation, be received;
2. AND THAT the Phase 1 North Caledonia Employment Lands Feasibility and Servicing Study be approved;
3. AND THAT the 2023 Tax-Supported Capital Budget be amended to include an increase of \$15,100 to the North Caledonia Employment Lands Feasibility and Servicing Study project budget.

CARRIED

I. DELEGATIONS AND CONSIDERATION OF RELATED REPORTS (1:00 P.M.)

1 ENG-19-2023 McNichol Municipal Drain Updated Engineer's Report (Public Meeting under the Drainage Act)

L. Franklin, Robinson Consultants, presented the Engineer's Report.

G. DenHartogh spoke to his parents owning land that is not usable as agricultural land and is assessed a significant amount of the drain assessment.

There being no other no one else present to speak, deliberations concluded with the introduction of the following recommendation:

Recommendation 7

Moved By: Councillor Patterson

Seconded By: Councillor Shirton

1. THAT Report ENG-19-2023 McNichol Municipal Drain Updated Engineer's Report be received;
2. AND THAT the appointment of Robinson Consultants Inc. Consulting Engineers as Drainage Engineers under Section 78(1) of the Drainage Act, RSO, 1990 c.D.17., be confirmed;
3. AND THAT the McNichol Municipal Drain Updated Engineer's Report be adopted by Provisional By-law as per Section 45 (1) of the Drainage Act, R.S.O. 1990 c.D.17.;
4. AND THAT the first sitting for the Court of Revision be held on a date to be determined by the Court of Revision, between 20 and 30 days from the date of mailing of the Provisional By-law;
5. AND THAT the Clerk be directed to send a copy of the Provisional By-law and a notice of first sitting of the Court of Revision to the required landowners;
6. AND THAT the revised budget as outlined in Report ENG-19-2023 be approved;
7. AND THAT upon the successful completion of the required appeal process, staff be directed to continue with the Drainage Act procedure and make the required arrangements for the construction of the proposed drainage works.

CARRIED

2 LSS-17-2023 Road Closure and Conveyance – Part of Spruce Avenue, Hagersville

2.1 James and Cynthia Stymeist

J. Stymeist explained their request for closure and conveyance of a portion of Spruce Avenue in Hagersville. They would like to purchase the property so that it is not blocked and to protect their property. C. Stymeist noted that they have had difficulty getting a trailer out of their property and recommended an amendment.

2.2 George and Marla Eve

G. Eve spoke to maintaining the subject lands since 1985. In 2022, posts were installed west of the subject lands. He spoke to multiple issues surrounding the subject property. He also spoke to a sump pump discharge flowing through the property in question.

Recommendation 8

Moved By: Councillor Patterson

Seconded By: Councillor Metcalfe

1. THAT Report LSS-17-2023 Road Closure and Conveyance – Part of Spruce Avenue, Hagersville be received;
2. AND THAT the application from James Stymeist and Cynthia Stymeist requesting to close and purchase part of Spruce Avenue, Hagersville, legally described as part of PIN 38191-0139; Spruce Avenue Plan 44; Haldimand County, not be approved for the reasons outlined in Report LSS-17-2023.

CARRIED

J. DEPARTMENTAL STAFF REPORTS (CONTINUED)

2 PUBLIC WORKS OPERATIONS

Councillor Trainer, Chair of Engineering & Capital Works, assumed the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

2.1 ENV-05-2023 Wastewater Contract Extension

This item was deferred for consideration until after the Closed Session portion of the meeting.

3 ENGINEERING & CAPITAL WORKS

Councillor Metcalfe, Chair of Engineering & Capital Works, assumed the Chair for this portion of the meeting

3.1 Other Business

None.

4 FINANCIAL & DATA SERVICES

Councillor O'Neill, Chair of Financial & Data Services, assumed the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

4.1 FIN-15-2023 Application for Assessment & Tax Adjustments as of August 2023

Recommendation 9

Moved By: Councillor Lawrence

Seconded By: Councillor Metcalfe

1. THAT Report FIN-15-2023 Applications for Assessment and Tax Adjustments, as of August 2023 be received;
2. AND THAT adjustments of taxes, in accordance with Sections 357, 358 and 359 of the Municipal Act, be approved in the amount of \$11,342.05 as detailed in Attachment 1 to Report FIN-15-2023.

CARRIED

4.2 Other Business

None.

5 CORPORATE & SOCIAL SERVICES

Councillor Shirton, Chair of Corporate & Social Services, assumed the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

5.1 LSS-15-2023 Road Closure and Conveyance – Lane located between Front Street & Main Street East, Dunnville

This item was deferred for consideration until after the Closed Session portion of the meeting.

5.2 CEC-07-2023 Customer Service Strategy

Recommendation 10

Moved By: Councillor Patterson

Seconded By: Councillor Metcalfe

1. THAT Report CEC-07-2023 Customer Service Strategy be received;
2. AND THAT the Haldimand County Customer Service Strategy 2023-2026, included as Attachment 1 to Report CEC-07-2023, be approved.

CARRIED

5.3 CSS-M02-2023 Intimate Partner Violence in Haldimand County

Recommendation 11

Moved By: Councillor Patterson

Seconded By: Mayor Bentley

1. THAT Memorandum CSS-M02-2023 Intimate Partner Violence in Haldimand County be received;
2. **AND THAT staff be directed to prepare a motion for consideration at the September 25, 2023 Council meeting.**

CARRIED

5.4 LSS-19-2023 2nd Quarter Insurance Activity - 2023

Recommendation 12

Moved By: Councillor O'Neill

Seconded By: Mayor Bentley

THAT Report LSS-19-2023 2nd Quarter Insurance Activity - 2023 be received.

CARRIED

5.5. Other Business

None.

6 CORPORATE AFFAIRS

Mayor Bentley, Chair of Corporate Affairs, resumed the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

6.1 Other Business

None.

K. CLOSED SESSION

Recommendation 13

Moved By: Councillor Patterson

Seconded By: Councillor Lawrence

THAT pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act, as amended, Council convene in a meeting at 2:35 p.m. closed to the public, to discuss:

a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization

- 1 ENV-M02-2023 Addendum to Report ENV-05-2023 Wastewater Contract Extension

a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board

- 2 LSS-M04-2023 Additional Information Related to LSS-15-2023 Road Closure and Conveyance – Lane located between Front Street & Main Street East, Dunnville

personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees

- 3 CAO Performance Review
- 4 Verbal Update Re: Health Unit

CARRIED

Councillor Patterson left at 2:37 p.m. for the remainder of the meeting.

Recommendation 14

Moved By: Councillor Metcalfe

Seconded By: Councillor Shirton

THAT this closed meeting now adjourn at 3:43 p.m. and reconvene in open session.

CARRIED

L. MOTIONS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

None.

M. DEPARTMENTAL STAFF REPORTS (CONTINUED)

- 2 PUBLIC WORKS OPERATIONS (CONTINUED)

Councillor Trainer, Chair of Public Works Operations, resumed the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

Councillor Lawrence left at 3:52 p.m. for the remainder of the meeting.

2.1 ENV-05-2023 Wastewater Contract Extension

Recommendation 15

Moved By: Councillor Metcalfe

Seconded By: Mayor Bentley

1. THAT Report ENV-05-2023 Wastewater Contract Extension be received;
2. AND THAT Memorandum ENV-M02-2023 Addendum to Report ENV-05-2023 Wastewater Contract Extension, be received and remain confidential;
3. AND THAT staff be authorized to amend and extend the Veolia contract to manage the Haldimand County Wastewater Treatment Plants, as outlined in Report ENV-05-2023;
4. AND THAT the contract be amended to add an Asset Maintenance and Improvement Manager to the Veolia staff complement with costs as identified in Closed Session Memorandum ENV-M02-2023;
5. AND THAT the contract be extended for a three-year term until June 30, 2027;
6. AND THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute the contract documents for this amendment and extension.

CARRIED

2.2 Other Business

None.

5 CORPORATE & SOCIAL SERVICES (CONTINUED)

Councillor Shirton, Chair of Corporate & Social Services, resumed the Chair for this portion of the meeting.

5.1 LSS-15-2023 Road Closure and Conveyance – Lane located between Front Street & Main Street East, Dunnville

Recommendation 16

Moved By: Councillor O'Neill

Seconded By: Councillor Trainer

THAT Applicant 1, Ron Ticchiarelli, be allowed to appear as a delegation on this matter.

CARRIED

R. Ticchiarelli noted that he would like to compile these properties for future development and would like to come back with a concept plan for the waterfront area.

Recommendation 17

Moved By: Councillor Metcalfe

Seconded By: Councillor O'Neill

1. THAT Report LSS-15-2023 Road Closure and Conveyance – Lane located between Front Street & Main Street East, Dunnville be received;
2. AND THAT Memorandum LSS-M04-2023 Additional Information Related to Report LSS-15-2023 Conveyance of Lane between Front and Main, Dunnville, be received and remain confidential;
3. AND THAT the subject lands, as shown in yellow on Attachment #1 to LSS-15-2023 and legally described as PIN 38124-0087 (LT), legally described as the Lane between Lots 10-14, north side of Front Street and Lots 10-14 south side of Main Street East, Plan 69; Haldimand County, be stopped up, closed and declared surplus to all County needs;
4. AND THAT staff proceed with Option # 2 as outlined in the confidential Memorandum LSS-M04-2023 for the property legally described as PIN 38124-0087 (LT) the Lane between Lots 10-14, north side of Front Street and Lots 10-14 south side of Main Street East, Plan 69; Haldimand County;
5. AND THAT if sold to the abutting land owner, the applicable Applicant will purchase the Lane for the purchase price, plus HST, plus costs of conveyance inclusive of Haldimand County legal fees;
6. AND THAT public notice of the proposed closure and conveyance be given;
7. AND THAT a by-law be presented for enactment to authorize the closure and conveyance;
8. AND THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute all necessary documents.

CARRIED

Mayor Bentley resumed the chair for the remainder of the meeting

N. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

O. NEW BUSINESS

None.

P. REPORTS, INQUIRIES, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONCERNS OF COUNCILLORS

None.

Q. ADJOURNMENT

Recommendation 18

Moved by: Councillor Shirton

Seconded by: Councillor Metcalfe

THAT this meeting is now adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

CARRIED

MAYOR

CLERK